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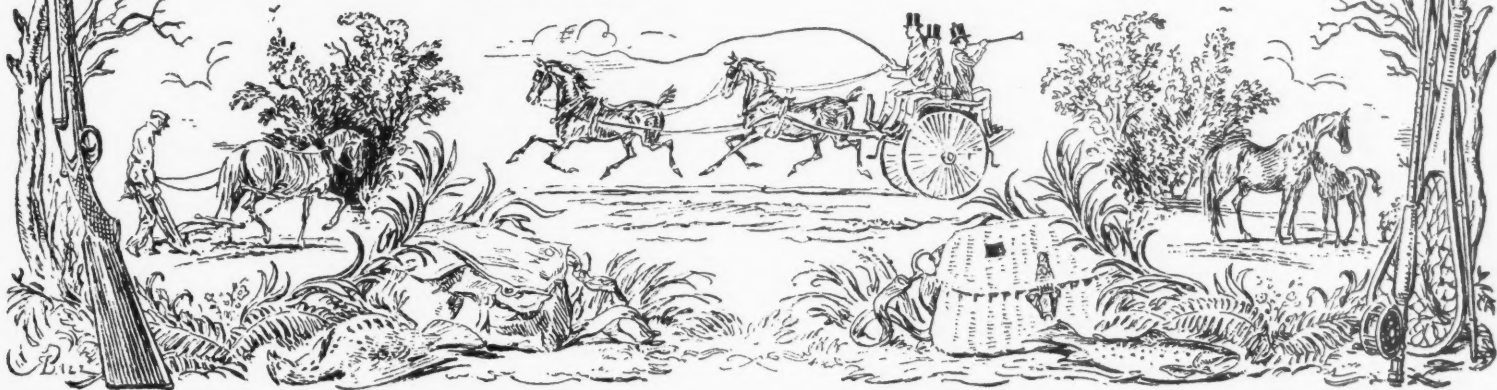
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GERALD WEBB, HORSEMAN AND EDITOR

The road has come to an end for Gerry Webb of The Chronicle. Going as he would have liked to have gone, riding his own horse, a race for gentlemen in pink, he rode his last race and rode it to the end with all the fire, the gameness, the zeal and determination that was for him a way of life, a creed, his whole being. Knocked immediately unconscious in a racing accident, his fine sporting career has been cut tragically short.

This was no everyday person, one sees and then forgets. No one, great or small who knew him, will forget Gerry Webb, his dynamic force, his perseverance, his everlasting loyalty to an ideal, and best of all, that gentle sweetness for those he loved, brilliant streaks of gold in a troubled sky. Life did not run easily for Gerry, and often things came hard. His shock of grey hair, his pale, lined face; the indomitable, restless eyes, told the story of the spirit which drove him with boundless energy, marked him a man among men, a real friend in need.

Some people are born to give, they give in many ways, of themselves, their time, their money, their love, their energy, and Gerry was one of these. To each and every man who came his way, there was a word, a wave, a friendly cheer. Sometimes he gave so much, he did not stop to garner what friends would like to have given him, and perhaps, he lost some happiness thereby that should have come his way.

Those who loved Gerry, and all who saw inside this tumultuous soul appreciated a great guy for the man he was, worried that something, sometime would happen that would trip his hurried steps, catch him unawares, but there was no time for worries, there was much to do, and so he went his way, striving for his goal, to do all things well about and upon a Thoroughbred. It is good that he loved Virginia because in this country of horses and horsemen he found a place for that boundless enthusiasm that drove him joyfully forward through the days.

Now that these days are past for him, he leaves friends behind him everywhere. Emmett who kept his horses, the Duffeys where he made his home, The Chronicle, and all those in sport with whom he worked to develop sportsmanship and better sport will not forget. Up and down the street, those hurried steps, that jaunty air, that breathless haste... it is so sad he is not with us yet. Gerry wanted more than anything to be a good horseman and a good journalist. All his waking hours, he thought and wrote and rode with these things in mind and always the result was good.

If one were to say what were the outstanding attributes of this horseman-journalist, one would say an immense sincerity of purpose, an everlasting loyalty to that purpose and the courage to do and say and write what he believed was best for the sport, the people and the life he loved. He has gone now, gone, wrapped in his ideal, a restless, splendid man, a great friend, who died, as he would have liked to die, his boots on riding his last race. God rest you Gerry Webb and thank you for the work you did.

CHRONICLE QUIZ

WHAT IS THE NAME OF
THIS TYPE OF BOOT?

2. What is the distance of the Liverpool Grand National and where is it held?
3. What is the meaning of running heel?
4. What two breeds are crossed to produce the Anglo-Cleveland hunter?
5. To what part of a horse's anatomy is the word "bar" applied?
6. What does it mean when it is said that a horse has been pricked?

(Answers on Page 22)

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Racing Career Of Gerry Webb And Easy Mark

Edward L. Chase has perfectly depicted the late gentleman rider and sporting editor, Gerald B. Webb, Jr., on his favourite horse, Easy Mark, the photograph for which was made through the courtesy of Thomas N. Darling of Middleburg. Gerry's first Point-to-Point horse became a familiar sight in the hunting field, whether with Piedmont, Orange County, Middleburg, Warrenton, Old Dominion or Cobbler. In fact, the combination of Gerry and Easy Mark proved a winning one as in 1939 they won both the heavyweight and open events at the Warrenton Point-to-Point, and the inaugural running of the -heavyweight race at Piedmont Point-to-Point. The same year he rode Mrs. Turner Wiltshire's Kingsland to win the heavyweight division at the Middleburg Point-to-Point.

1940 was a winning year with Gerry riding Mrs. Hamilton's Longitude to victory in the Redland Bowl and 2nd at the Middleburg Point-to-Point.

In the heavyweight race at Piedmont in 1941 Gerry rode Mrs. Hamilton's Sedgfield, to finish 2nd, and was 3rd with Longitude in the Sandhills Challenge Cup.

Always the most enthusiastic of amateur riders, Gerry rode his Big Charley to win the Heavyweight Plate at the Radnor Point-to-Point in 1942 and was 3rd in both the Potomac Hunt Pink Coat Race, and Piedmont's Rokeby Bowl. All owner-riders are anxious for a trial at the Maryland Hunt Cup, and Gerry was no exception. Trying to get into some branch of the armed forces, he nevertheless worked Big Charley with the Hunt Cup in view. The first jump proved a bad one but he was quickly up and remounted. He had never ridden the course and did not want to give up and miss the experience of participating in the Maryland Hunt Cup. The war was on and he knew full well that this would be the last Hunt Cup race for the duration; he was certain he would be in the service for an undetermined period. He went on to complete the course and finished 5th. His great dream had been realised. He had ridden and finished the course.

While he was in the service, Big Charley and Easy Mark lived the "life of Riley" at Mt. Olive Farm. They grew fatter and older and when Gerry returned, Easy Mark left his green pastures for another day with Piedmont Hounds. Then it was back to the pastures. Big Charley went into the Rokeby Bowl in 1946 and was 3rd.

This year Gerry and Big Charley went to the Warrenton Point-to-Point and won the heavyweight division, finishing a close 2nd for the Warrenton Bowl. Gerry rode Inure, (better known as Gimpey) to win the Warrenton Pair Race, paired with Miss Sally Spilman on her War Snob. He also rode the same horse in the Middleburg and Piedmont Point-to-Points but was not up when Inure ran in the Louis Leith Mem-

Letters To The Editor

For Want of A Knee A Stifle Was Lost

Editor's Note: In The Chronicle Quiz of March 28th, Question number 2 reads: What part of the horse corresponds to the human knee? The answer given was: "The Knee."

Dear Sir:

I have always thought that the part of the horse which corresponds to the human knee is the stifle joint and that the joint on the front leg of the horse corresponds to the human wrist.

Gilbert Mather
226 Walnut St., Phila. Pa.

Dear Sir:

If The Chronicle Quiz Answers are not accurate they are a liability. When they state part of a horse that corresponds to the human knee is the knee, either your proof reader should get glasses or coffee or the quiz writer should change to advertising where his flights of fancy will be more appreciated.

Edward D. Mulligan

Dear Sir:

Add me to the list of those who will write to inform you that the stifle joint of the horse corresponds to the human knee. The knee of the horse corresponds to the human wrist. Your statement must have been a typographical error.

Robert L. Michel
835 E. Price St., Phila. Pa.

Dear Sirs:

Perhaps a man long ago walked on all fours, as the apes do now a good deal of the time. So how does this seem? The hind legs of a horse correspond to the legs of a man, and the forelegs of a horse correspond to the arms of a man. Taking the hind end, they both have hips. The horse's stifle, way up under his body, corresponds to the knee. His hock corresponds to the heel, and his fetlock and ankle correspond to the toes—which I admit are pretty different from a hoof.

Coming to the front end,—we know where the shoulder is in both cases. His elbow is right under his chest. His knee is his wrist, and his fetlock and ankle are his fingers.

It can easily be seen that a horse is much better suited to running

orial Steeplechase at Middleburg Spring Race Meeting.

Gerry worked hard to get the Hunt Race Meetings Association organized and the results accomplished by this organization are already evident. He was a great believer in the amateur rider and his enthusiasm was boundless with regard to point-to-point and timber racing. Handicaps were of no importance to him and if his entry meant that the race was filled and could be run, that was done and he was on hand.

The sporting world has lost a fine gentleman, who will be missed by all.

than a man, but his front feet were not quite as handy as a man's hands. It just seems as if the extremities of the limbs were elongated in both cases; and, coming back to the hind end of him, if you ham-strung a horse, as they did in days gone by, you cut him just above his hock, and that great tendon corresponds to the Achilles tendon in a man. Whichever way it is, these comparisons are interesting, aren't they?

Arthur I. Meigs

Editor's Note: Such are the vagaries of the human mind that the question was repeated instead of the answer being given and which, answer is, indeed, the stifle. From the above letters one can see a knee for a stifle is anything but a trifle in any man's language and The Chronicle

wishes to thank its readers for their sharp eyes and their interest in the Quiz.

Mistaken Identity

Dear Editor:

I'm going to turn "Indignant Reader" at this point and utter a few bellows of pain and rage over your coverage of the heavyweight race won by Stanley Stabler on Happy Girl. Stan rode a fine race and was making his move head and head with Carroll Curran on At Ease when the latter fell at the final fence. While I don't wish to take credit from Tom Mott who rode a fine race, it was Stabler and not Mott who was up front in the final drive. On reading the piece, I felt that Stabler "wasn't done right by."

Cordially yours,

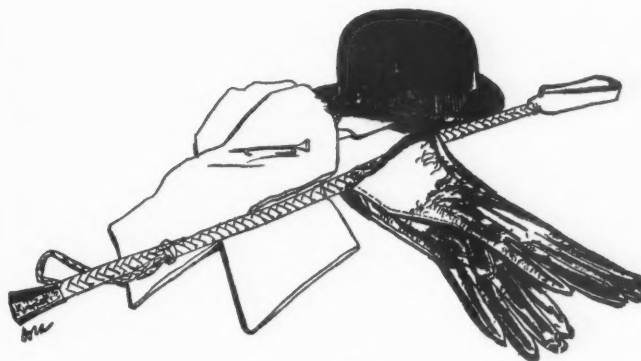
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A Message To All Foxhunters



The President of The Masters of Foxhounds Association Calls Attention To Dangers From Bounty Systems That Threaten Wildlife

There is a great threat to our sport that is becoming more active every month. I refer to the campaign against foxes that is being carried on by so-called sportsmen's clubs all over the nation. So great has become the pressure from these organizations that many state conservation departments and game associations do their bidding with little question.

Just as a case in point, the State of Pennsylvania not only has a bounty on red and gray foxes, but it is reported that the state game commission is sending representatives to schools to give lectures to students on why and how to slaughter the fox. Contests are sponsored by the Sportsmen's Clubs which give cash prizes to children and adults who have gathered the most points for kills over a period of time.

Various communities are holding the brutal circle hunts made famous several years ago by Life magazine's photographic essay of the Holmes County, Ohio hunt, showing a child clubbing a fox to death.

If we are to preserve our sport, foxhunters must combat this nationwide pressure on the fox. I urge each and every fox hunter, sportsman, and animal lover to read the article in this issue of The Chronicle entitled, "Intelligent Game Conservation". Then, take this story to your local newspaper editor and have him print it in his paper. Send a copy of it to your local representative of the state legislature. Only by such procedure can we hope to cope with the problem of fox extermination that has gained such tremendous headway. Without foxes, obviously there can be no fox hunting.

W. PLUNKET STEWART.

(Additional copies of this article can be obtained by writing to the Wildlife Protective Association of America, Box 481, West Chester, Pa.)

Intelligent Wildlife Conservation Needs Attention of All

Reprinted from new pamphlet published by Wildlife Protective Association of America.

Richard H. Pough, Ecologist, The National Audubon Society, says of wildlife:

"Just as is the case in any science, there is no simple key to a complete understanding of the problems of wildlife conservation. Animals and plants live not as isolated organisms but as parts of closely-knit living communities. Such knowledge is basis for any work in conservation and a general understanding of it by the public will be necessary before the present wildlife conservation movement can achieve its final objectives. To conserve wildlife, first understand how it lives."

The need for intelligent game conservation goes much deeper than satisfying the recreational pursuits of the people who like to hunt. Wildlife management of natural resources, something that effects each one of us and is coming closer and closer to being a tragedy for all of us. In other words, it is high time for some of us, other than those who want to go out and bang away at quail and pheasants, to realize we have a stake in this matter of game conservation and our interests should be considered.

Years ago public sentiment and farsightedness on the part of a few, prompted state and county governments to take legislative steps for the protection of game and other forms of wildlife. Since little or nothing existed in the form of past experience or precedent, governing bodies did the best they could. Results were not always those hoped for, but wanton slaughter of game and fish was retarded and some species increased in numbers. Sometimes this was good, sometimes not so good. Wildlife populations, due to man's activities, have been continually out of balance, with resultant over and under populations, pleasing some and displeasing most sportsmen.

As our civilization has become more congested and complex, the problems of wildlife conservation have kept pace in their complexities. No longer do rule-of-thumb and what seem to be "common-sense" methods suffice. As in other fields, in order to be practiced efficiently it has become a job for science and scientists. The professions of conservationist and wildlife management expert call for much more than "practical" experience. A scientific knowledge of soil, biology, botany, and ecology is necessary. A legislator needn't be a scientist in anything other than gathering votes, but when he accepts recommendations, he ought to be sure of the knowledge and reliability of his source of information. Here lies the first big barrier to intelligent game conservation. The majority of persons holding jobs on state game commissions and in game conservation work are not qualified by training or education to accomplish or advise correctly on what is asked of them. This is a blunt statement, but it is a fact.

To show a case in point how ignorance, providing a smoke screen for greed and selfishness, costs the public money and hoodwinks sportsmen and farmers, we will set down a few facts here about a so-called conservation procedure that is gaining in popularity in several states. We refer to the practice that has the blessing of many legislators, and for the moment is serving as a grand scapegoat for game commissions, to say nothing of the hundreds of thousands of dollars it is costing the people who aren't aware of what is going on. It is called Predator-Control. If you haven't heard of it, ask some youngster who goes to school. He has probably been lectured by a representative of the game commission during the time he was supposed to be learning the three R's.

Clayton B. Seagers, State of New York Conservation Department quotation taken from state bulletin "The Fox in New York."

"The Pennsylvania Game Commission has paid out over one million dollars in fox bounties since 1915. (This was written in 1944) yet

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Mr. Stewart's Cheshire Foxhounds

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Established 1914

Recognized 1914

Master: (1914) W. Plunket Stewart.

Hounds: English.

Hunting: Fox.

Colors: Scarlet.

Monday, March 21

It always leaves a good taste in one's mouth, so to speak, to finish the season with a really good hunt. The Cheshire bitches were at the top of their form today; the weather was perhaps a trifle too kind, as it was a bit gleamy and glittery for the best of scenting conditions; however, these great English hounds ran and ran on until everyone and everyone's horses had quite enough and were glad to call it a day.

A field of about fifty met in the farm yard at Springdell, jogged up the road to Mullin's Hill, but found it unavailing. A few moments later hounds spoke in the bottom lands at the foot of the hill; then a holloa from the road, a few sharp notes from the huntsman's horn, and by the time one had galloped out the old ride to the road, hounds were streaming up the Powell hillside; then bearing righthanded beyond the Powell barn, crossed the river at Runnymede, and racing on to Reynolds Wood bore right over Runnymede again, and recrossing the river to Powell's Wood, ran through this long covert, and sinking the valley to McCauley's went on to McClees, crossed the back road to Speakman's and over the valley to Irvin's; then crossing Webb's to the upper Grier meadow, ran with great drive and cry over these vast fields to Runnymede again; and bearing left-handed in Reynolds Wood, crossed into McMinns, bore left to the Roswell farm and on to Matson's, and running through Griffith's, crossed Doe Run to Webb's, to bear right to Irvin's, ran on through Speakman's to McClees, and turning sharp left, led their sobbing pursuers on to McCauley's once more, where Ralph Thomas viewed our fox creeping up the hillside on the Sweeney farm. It looked for all the world as if Reynard was pointing his mask for the main earth in Powell's Wood; but apparently disdaining its sanctuary, hounds pushed on through covert to Webb's, swam the river again and ran completely out of scent in Runnymede, after a most delightful hour and fifty minutes.

After a sandwich in the stable yard at Runnymede, hounds were taken to Blue Hill where a stout dog fox was viewed away from the rough fields facing the Dietrich farm, and hounds, running at great pace through the long Jackson meadows, swung right-handed to Blue Hill proper, crossed the road to Tipping's Wood, and swinging right again, ran over the Sharp farm, apparently heading for Trimble's Hollow. Something or someone evidently turned our pilot, as hounds doubled back to Tipping's, and making a ring in Blue Hill, returned to Tipping's; then skirting the edge of the Wood farm, ran parallel to the road to the Londonderry corner, and crossing the hard road to Nichol's ran on down country to Irvin's, and taking us over much the same line of country as on our previous hunt, even-

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Hunting: Fox.

Colors: Scarlet, brown collar, blue piping.

Hounds met at the Geissinger Farm in Old Zionsville, at 1.00 P. M.

Our first draw was the north side of Carls Hill and on out to the tower line. As we made quite a circle to the left Baldy and Blue were heard to speak. Snow in this spot was about two feet deep and nothing came of that line.

Traveling in the direction of Geissinger's Rocks, McFee running ahead struck a hot line and it was only a matter of seconds until all fifteen couples were singing it out as they went north from the rocks toward the railroad tracks at the bottom of the hill, back to the top and down again, turning east of the rocks into dense undergrowth where there was a check of a couple of minutes.

Gamely, a very keen-nosed young hound set them straight. Staying on the southern slope and heading southwest, rounding the end and running north on the north side for some distance we crossed the dirt road and went on past the old shoe factory. Then, crossing the black-top-road and up the next slope, turning south we made a small circle which took us right through the Old Corning Camp Grounds. We continued along the top of the Corning Ridge almost to Herford, turning back almost over the very same

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ually sank the valley to Sweeney's and ran on to Powell's, where scent completely vanished, the season finished, and hounds were taken home.

—Martin Gale



K.F.S.

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Radnor Hunt Point-to-Point

Two Thousand Spectators Watch Alex Stokes And Never Worry Win Feature Event Of 3 Race Card Over Field of 10

by Dora Lurie

The annual Radnor Hunt Point-to-Point races attracted a summer clad crowd, estimated at 2000, who shed coats to witness the event run under warm skies at the Radnor Hunt Club's turf layout and adjoining terrain, at White Horse, Pa.

Alex C. Stokes, chairman of the races, repeated last year's victory on Never Worry which he rode last year, in the featured Radnor Hunt Point-to-Point test over a course approximately 4 miles. A spectator's stop watch, set at the start and then brought to the finish, caught the flying Never Worry, 13-year-old chestnut mare owned by Alec's uncle, Thomas Stokes, in 10:03.3.

The time, although unofficial, was probably right on the nose as one of the referees at the finish endeavored to catch the time on his own watch at the signal from the start, a goodly distance away. The hands on his watch showed 6 minutes after 5 at the time and later, when asked for a time on the event, said it was probably an approximate 10 minutes. No times were taken in the other 2 events, the pair race and the local old fashioned point-to-point.

The feature drew considerable interest with the spectator betting heavily on Never Worry chalked up on the slate board. Surprisingly City Man, owned by William Thomas and ridden by Miss Josephine Knowlton, was listed among the favorites. Road Knight, owned by J. C. Murtagh and ridden by Eric Renwick, was not among the advance place pickings although it finished 2nd in last year's race.

The field drew 10 entries. Triple A, George Brooke's hopeful, ridden by scarlet coated H. L. Collins, Jr., drew to the front and for 2 miles led the pack over the hill and dale course, taking the barriers in pace setting style. Bubbling Jack, David Gwinn's aged, dark brown gelding with Jacob (Jake) Disston, 3rd, aboard, took over at this point, with Mr. Stokes running around 5th place.

Mr. Stokes pulled out at the last mile, never to be headed as a bunched pack took the final and 20th fence head and head. Coming up the slightly inclined final stretch, Mr. Stokes whipped Never Worry to a length victory over Fonsilver, Walter Wickes, Jr.'s 5-year-old grey gelding, ridden by Miss Alice Babcock with Big Severn, aged chestnut gelding, another Wickes' entry ridden by Mrs. C. Paul Denckla, half a length behind.

But Miss Babcock, "National women's champion rider", who is a sophomore at Bryn Mawr College, reported that she had lost her lead pads enroute and, as a result, was disqualified, moving Big Severn up to 2nd with Shangri-La, the aged chestnut gelding ridden by Mrs. Gaston de Havenon (the former Carol Leiper) for her Dad, J. Gerry Leiper, Jr. Mrs. Denckla, recent winner at Unionville, is the former Polly Leiper.

Three horses failed to finish, all pulling up at the final barrier. They were the odds-on popular City Man

which jumped off rider Jo Knowlton, pacesetter Triple A and Swagger, owned and ridden by George Morrison.

The Mitchell Snow Memorial Bowl, presented by Walter M. Jeffords, went to owner Thomas Stokes and a plate presented by William P. Snow to the winning rider, Alex Stokes.

The pair race, over an approximate 4-mile distance, saw the youthful brother and sister team of Peter Walker and Miss Marlow Walker, 16-year-old West Chester High maid riding her first race, emerge the victorious duo. Miss Walker finished 2nd on Retriever, her mother's (Mrs. Sylvia C. Walker) aged bay gelding, and Peter, 4th, on Sydney Glass' Helen's Jewel, 9-year-old brown mare.

Individual winner was Mrs. John Hannum, 3rd, on Hobo, the 6-year-old Montana-bred chestnut gelding owned by Mr. and Mrs. W. Plunkett Stewart. Mrs. Hannum is the erstwhile Miss Nancy Penn Smith, daughter of Mrs. Stewart. Hobo and Retriever, winner in the previous week's Brandywine Hills point-to-point, ridden by Charlie Cann, came out front to pass Peter Walker who held the lead until the final barrier.

Sprightly 13-year-old Miss Diana Scott, riding at catch weight, won the old fashioned point-to-point, brought home Irish Girl, 16-year-old bay mare owned by her mother, Mrs. Ernest Scott, to victory over 16-year-old sister Miss Barbara Scott. The latter rode War Banner, 6-year-old gelding and one of Man o'War's innumerable progeny, also from her mother's stables.

William J. Strawbridge, aboard his own Timber Lad, 6-year-old bay gelding, finished 3rd to win the heavyweight honors (over 205 pounds) and was surprised to find that the Scott sisters had passed him at such a fast clip. The "phantom" Scott riders however, knew the short cut and got home the "fastest".

SUMMARIES

Pair Race, abt. 4 mi., fair hunting country. Lady 150 lbs., gentleman 175 lbs. Individual trophies to owners of 1st complete pair to finish. Winners: Sydney Glass' br. m., 9, by *Nightwing-Jembs, by *Brumado. Breeder: G. C. Tuke, and B. g., 13, by Porridge-Chatterella, by Chatterton. Breeder: R. E. Mahoney. Time: Not taken.
1. Helen's Jewel, (Sydney Glass), 175, Mr. Peter Walker.
Retriever, (Mrs. Sylvia C. Walker), 150, Miss Marlow Walker.

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2. Hobo, (Mr. and Mrs. W. Plunkett Stewart), 175, John Hannum III. —
Bright Lantern, (Mr. and Mrs. W. Plunkett Stewart), 150, Mrs. John Hannum III.
3. Big Den, (Mr. and Mrs. A. C. Stokes), 175, Mr. A. C. Stokes.
Secret Venture, (Mr. and Mrs. A. C. Stokes), 150, Mrs. A. C. Stokes.
Six pairs started; also ran (order of finish): Miss Constance Hamilton's Distant, 175, Mr. Jacob Disston III and Miss Constance Hamilton's My Prim, 150, Miss Constance Hamilton; Mr. and Mrs. John West's Staysail, 175, Mr. John West and Mr. and Mrs. John West's Annie, 150, Mrs. John West; Thomas McKelvey's Three Better, 150, Mrs. Morris Dixon, Jr., and Thomas McKelvey's France Forever, 175, Mr. Charles Cann.

Local Old Fashioned Point-to-Point, abt. 5-6 mi., with not more than 2 turning points, go as you please; course announced 20 minutes before start; open only to horses owned by members or subscribers of Radnor Hunt; riders to be owners or members of immediate family; minimum weight 185 lbs. for gentlemen; 165 lbs. for ladies; catch weights, for children under 17. Plate to owner of 1st horse to finish carrying 205 lbs.; plate to winner. Winner: b. m., 16, by *Over There—Oklahoma Irish, by Brigade. Breeder: E. E. Buchanan. Time: No time taken.
1. Irish Girl, (Mrs. Ernest Scott), 135, Miss Diana Scott.
2. War Banner, (Mrs. Ernest Scott), 165, Miss Barbara Scott.

3. Timber Lad, (William J. Strawbridge), 205, Mr. William J. Strawbridge. (Winner of Heavyweight plate).
Six started; also ran (order of finish): David Gwinn's Ira's Boy, 205, Mr. David Gwinn; Charles C. Harrison III's Sir Spotswood, 185, Mr. C. C. Harrison III; Miss Linda McKoy's Comet, 165, Miss Linda McKoy. Scratched: Lawrence Hloway's Deep Valley; Miss Phyllis Lose's Dapple Dawn, Thomas Stokes' Gay Fellow.

Radnor Hunt Point-to-Point, abt. 4 mi., fair hunting country, horses and riders acceptable to committee; weights, gentlemen 175 lbs., ladies 165 lbs.; for Mitchell Snow Memorial Bowl, presented by Walter M. Jeffords. Winner: Ch. m., 13, by War Whoop—Sparkling Day, by Sparkling Wit. Breeder: E. W. "Bunny" Winnill. Time: 10:03 3-5.
1. Never Worry, (Thomas Stokes), 175, Mr. Alex C. Stokes.

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Hay Making With Pick-Up Baler Makes Quick Delivery From Field To Mow Where Drying Measures Eliminate Costly Losses

by A. Mackay Smith

The haying season is still quite a way off, but this is the time of year to be getting our equipment in shape and to be thinking of how we can beat the labor shortage and the weather. Time was when haymaking was no problem whatsoever. After the wheat had been threshed, the corn plowed for the third time and the sheep sheared the farm boss would say, "Well, boys, let's go out and make some hay tomorrow". By this time the timothy would be pretty near straw color, the weather hot and dry and all that had to be done was to cut it down, rake it up and put it in the barn. Perhaps the stock didn't think so much of it when next winter came around, but at least it was better than snowballs.

Today we know too much for our own comfort. We want to make legume hay, instead of timothy, we want it cut green when the stems and leaves are full of sap and we want it cured perfectly by the time it gets to livestock. It's heavier to handle, it's cut at a time that is apt to interfere with the harvesting of other crops and it's a whole lot harder to cure. Its feeding value is so much superior to over-ripe timothy, however, that the extra trouble is well worth it.

The man making legume hay,—alfalfa, clover, soybean and the rest,—is continually pestered by the weather. It is apt to be too wet so that he cannot cure his crop in the field. It is also apt to be too dry and hot so that, in drying the thick, sappy stems, the thin leaves (which are the most valuable part from a feeding point of view) drop off and are lost.

The greatest haymaking invention of modern times is the pickup baler, particularly the self tying types such as the New Holland. They pick up the hay from a windrow made with a side-delivery rake which turns the stems outward and the leaves inward, thus effecting a more even cure. They eliminate a great deal of the leaf loss that goes with older methods, and they save a tremendous amount of labor.

Nevertheless the pick-up baler does not solve all problems. The rain still falls and the sun still shines. In making even as small a field as 12 acres of alfalfa, I have had to start the baler when the first windrow was really too tough in order to get the center of the field baled when the hay had the right moisture content and even then had the last few rows come up too dry, with the leaves falling off.

In order to eliminate these hazards much work has been done in the past 4 or 5 years on barn hay dryers or rather hay finishers since the preliminary drying is done in the field. The problem is to develop a way of drying hay that has had some moisture removed by the sun, but not enough to permit leaf loss. In a paper read before the Committee on Hay Harvesting and Storage of the American Society of Agricultural Engineers Prof. R. C. Miller of Ohio State University tells of a successful system of drying legume hay in the bale which he installed on the farm of Herbert Muffley near Easton, Pennsylvania.

The Muffley farm consists of 80 acres of which 78 are in alfalfa. It is equipped with a "Dutch" type barn, 34x60 feet with a gable roof on posts 18 feet above the haymow floor and a ground floor with a 9-foot ceiling. Along one side of the barn was built a shed with lean-to roof, 60 feet long, 22 feet wide and

14 feet high. The floor was made of concrete and, because of the slope of the bank is about 3 feet higher than the ground floor of the barn. On top of this floor were laid 2x6 joists, 12 inches apart, and set on blocks so as to raise the tops of the joists about 12 inches above the concrete, thus allowing for the passage of air upwards through the bales which were placed directly on the joists. The latter were not nailed down but were left so that they could be easily removed and the shed used for the storage of machinery in winter.

On the ground floor of the barn and along the side nearest the shed was constructed a wind tunnel, 10 feet wide and 8 feet high, lined with a smooth type of wall board known as "Homosite". The fan is a single-inlet, forward-curve, multi-vane type with a 60 inch diameter rotor which will deliver about 75,000 cubic feet of air per minute, or 60 cubic feet per minute for each square foot of floor area, about 3 times the quantity necessary to dry loose hay. It is placed about 20 feet from the barn with a tapering tunnel connecting it with the main tunnel and is driven by a used automobile engine developing better than 50 horse power. The hot air from the motor exhaust is blown into radiators in the smaller tunnel which heat the air going into the main tunnel about 2 degrees. Additional heat from a steam plant has been used on the radiators so as to heat the air another 5 degrees, but it has not generally been necessary to use this. The air is delivered through openings in the main tunnel at the floor height of the drying shed.

The baled hay is brought in from the field with a moisture content that has varied from almost dry to as high as 60 percent. One batch was successfully cured which was cut late one afternoon rained on for two hours next morning and baled after lunch. The bales are piled 5 to 6 tiers high and are dried for about 7 days after which time they are transferred to the mow of the main barn. They are moved by elevator both into the dryer and the mow. The cost of drying by this method is about \$3.00 a ton and Mr. Muffley has sold some of his barn dried hay for \$60.00 a ton as compared to \$45.00 a ton for field cured hay.

The dryer is large enough to take care of half the hay from the farm at one time (39 acres) so that cuttings are spaced 7 days apart. Much experimental work remains to be done in developing barn hay dryers, but it looks as though Messrs. Miller and Muffley have found a pretty good answer to the problem.

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Bounty Systems

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there is no evidence that the species is being controlled in Pennsylvania by bounty payments." (In 1946 over \$200,000.00 in bounties were paid on foxes alone, and each year it is increasing).

"As far as the New York State Conservation Department is concerned, the haphazard payment of bounties on foxes represents little more than money straight down the drainpipe. This is a strong statement, but intense study of fox bounty results have made it possible."

"To sum it up, there's not one shred of evidence to indicate that the bounty system does anything but increase private incomes from the take of fox pelts at the expense of either the taxpayer or the sportsman's license dollar, according to who pays the bounty freight."

It is obvious that both sportsmen and the public are being given a grand run-around. If a portion of the money being spent on anti-predator propaganda was used to educate the public about the true causes of lack of game, much money would be saved to spend for stocking pheasants, quail and rabbits.

Thomas B. Scott, a biologist and ecologist in "Ecological Monographs."

In an article "Some Food Coactions of the Northern Plains Fox" which comprised a three to five years study and survey, states: "So far as could be determined, foxes did not exert a dominant influence on the population of the prey animals regularly consumed, and the direction of the seasonal and annual population seemed to continue unchanged by the pressure of fox predation."

Alan Devoe, Biologist and Ecologist, National Audubon Society.

"It is abundantly clear that, by and large, the red fox has a valuable place in the economy of the outdoors. It is to be acknowledged however that occasionally local and special conditions (such as the recurrent fox highs) may warrant a destruction of foxes; but such situations are to be handled only on the advice of experts in wildlife management, after they have been given ample opportunity for study of the total picture in the case. There are more apt to be too few than too many foxes."

Adolph Murie, University of Michigan—Edwin S. George, Reserve "Following Fox Trails."

"The rabbits on the reserve continued to flourish and were present in large numbers at the end of the winter, showing that it is possible for the rabbit and the fox to coexist in the same locality. Where crops are cultivated the fox acts as a natural check on the rodents, tending to prevent their overabundance."

"In summing up, the economic status of the fox is found to be both harmful and beneficial to our interests, just as in most every other species. From the purely economic point of view it would seem best to permit it to exist in fair numbers controlled primarily by hunting. If our out-of-doors is to be managed on broad lines so that the various interests both economic and aesthetic are considered, and not for the special benefits of small minority groups, then the fox should be permitted to occupy its rightful niche

in the woods and fields."

Clayton B. Seagers, New York State Conservation Department.

Dearborn in Michigan (1932) found these groups (rats, mice and rabbits) in 91.68 per cent of 280 specimens collected. Nelson (1933) reported rabbits, mice and rats to be the predominant food of foxes in Virginia. Similarly, Errington (1937) found cottontails in 41.3 per cent and mice in 57.2 per cent of 2,110 droppings collected in Iowa during 1933 and 1934.

The following is taken from an article by Richard H. Pough, biologist and ecologist on the staff of the National Audubon Society.

"The U. S. Department of Agriculture estimates, on the probability that no farm land today averages less than ten meadow mice per acre that the loss due to meadow mice, on the 65,000,000 acres of hay fields in this country, is not less than 3,000,000 tons per year. If the elimination of predators allows mouse populations to arise above the ten per acre figure this loss will of course be greater."

"When one realizes how fast meadow mice can multiply, one readily understands the difficulties in the way of any effective artificial methods of control of meadow mouse numbers. One pair of meadow mice has been found capable of producing 17 litters a year of from 2 to 9 young per litter, with an average of 5. As the young are grown up and ready to breed at the age of 25 days, the total offspring from a pair could amount to over a million mice in the course of a single year."

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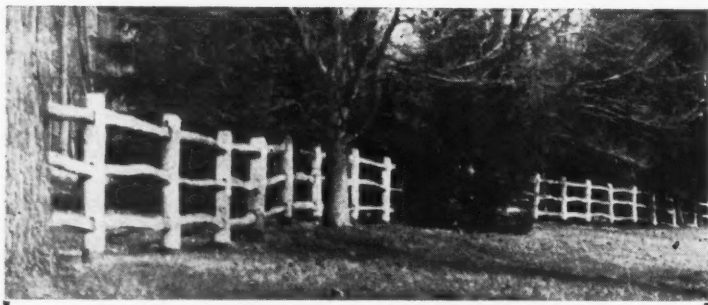
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Beagling Notes

**Treweryn Beagles Close
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A cloudy sky and a high March wind greeted an enthusiastic field of over 100 Beaglers who met the Treweryn 9-couple pack at Mr. Stockton White's farm at Sugartown near Malvern, Pa., on March 29, 1947, to close the season.

Hounds moved off promptly at 3:00 P. M. with Master, David B. Sharp, Jr. carrying the horn. The first cast was over old turf of the big rolling Bryn Clovis fields. Five minutes later an old Jack was started and the pack screamed away on sight, crossing the Sugartown Road into the Chew farm. A short check on burnt ground momentarily halted the flying pack but Mercury's deep voice proclaimed the line just as our quarry was viewed crossing the next hill. Fortunately the pack honored him quickly and raced away, led by Mercury. Galloper and Barrister, as two fresh hare got up unseen behind them.

A brief check in the next field on a plowed strip was set right by Galloper. The pack then drove straight away on a dirt path through Mr. Hunneman's woods and on to his hilltop, leaving 3 couples behind which split off on a cottontail. A few notes on the horn and fast work of the whips, Bill Battin and Jim Lamb and all 9 couples were together again. The breakneck pace here slackened as hounds worked slowly over a bare dirt field with Minstrel doing the difficult picking. Crossing the grass to the Rocky Hill road they went faster and faster, crossing the road without a check and on into heavy cover crossing the stream into Mr. Sinkler's. Up to this point at least 30 of the Field were well up with hounds but another 50 or more, who struggled through Mr. Hunneman's wood and were playing it smartly (so they thought) by staying back on his hilltop, were badly left.

Mercury and Minstrel picked out a difficult double in the creek bed around rocks and dense briars a hare seldom enters, as Galloper jumped our hare and led the flying pack away on sight straight through woods passing Mr. Sinkler's house, over a very steep hill and down a long steep bank to the lake which fortunately had been drained.

Few of the Field followed this unorthodox line for a hare and many of those who did, came to grief in the deep slippery mud of the lake bottom and the mill race that followed. If the last hill was tough, that which now faced us was mountainous and straight up it went, the pack emerging on the grass hilltop west of Mr. Marshall Morgan's. Badly winded, and many gladly offering to give "their kingdoms for a horse", we saw the pack down in the next hollow, two fields ahead on the hard road bordering Mr. Hoffner's farm.

Just as we caught up to the pack Gaylass owned the line down the tar road and Mercury and Galloper spoke a second later where our hare made a brief loop in the meadow.

It was then straight away to the West crossing the Hoffner farm, the pack fairly flying and followed closely by only 4 college boys on vacation Morris Dixon, Jr. and Bill Battin with Jim Lamb a little farther back. A 3-mile-point was reached as our hare turned her nose toward home just short of the Rocky Hill-Chester pike, and carried us back over Hoffner's through the Taylor Orchards to the Rocky Hill-White Horse Road. During this fast drive it was Minstrel and Galloper which fought for the lead. Less than a dozen of the Field were left at this point.

A quick cast down this hard road picked up the line in Bill Taylor's meadow but not before Gadfly, litter sister of Gaylass, showed her famous sire's nose as she proclaimed

the faint scent on the tar. A beautiful sight followed as the pack ran over the lush grass of Taylor's meadow to his small lake where they checked. Allowing them to cast themselves, we soon found that "puss" had swam the lake so saved our hounds a swim by lifting them forward around the lake. It was then straight away North over Taylor's high hill where we picked up about 30 of our badly lost field; on

to the dirt road where Bob Harrison and Kennel Huntsman Brautigam had viewed our hare, through Horn Wood and through the Trigg farm where we worked up to our quarry driving on sight to a kill in Trigg's wood just south of Mr. Smith's "Covertside".

By various routes 42 members of the Field arrived in time for the worry with the pate going to Bob Roberts on vacation from Princeton,

who, with Mitchell Brock and 3 or 4 others, were the only beaglers to stay in the same field with the hounds throughout this extraordinary chase.

Accurate measurement of a real estate map later showed a 3-mile point and 5 1-10 miles as hounds ran. The time was 1 hour and 15 minutes. All 9 couples were in at the death including two 1946 puppies Traveler and Gypsy. D. B. S. Jr.



Breeding race horses is the main interest at Brookmeade Farm, Upperville, Va. W. H. Ballenger, the Manager of this well-known Farm, is shown above with FORTITUDE, one of their breeding mares, and two foals. This pasture was top-dressed as part of a thorough program, discussed below.

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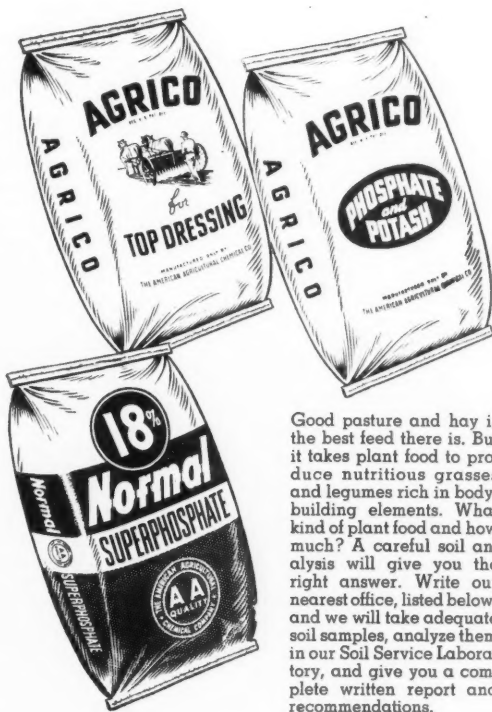
"BREEDING race horses is our main interest at Brookmeade Farm and we have between 70 and 90 horses the year around," writes W. H. Ballenger, Manager of well-known Brookmeade Farm, Upperville, Va. "We started fertilizing our pastures sometime ago and find that it pays in a number of ways and is particularly important in developing stronger bone structures.

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My Lady's Manor Point-to-Point

Winton Wins 3rd My Lady's Manor; Famous Combination Of Mr. Janney and Son Of Belli Cassus Out Gallop Ten In Field

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It was in 1713 that Charles I of England granted a 10,000 Acre Tract to Lord Baltimore, who in turn gave part of it to Lady Baltimore and thereby came the name of My Lady's Manor. Some 7,000 came out to see the 36th running of the point-to-point of this name and also the 23rd running of the John Rush Street Memorial, Saturday, April 12.

Stuart S. Janney, Jr., rode his celebrated, veteran, Maryland Hunt Cup horse, Winton, to his 9th consecutive victory over timber, when he accounted for the My Lady's Manor trophy. It was his 3rd straight win of The Manor. Ten of the 11 starters came into the last fence with Winton but 1 length in front. Mr. Kenneth Boerner on Fox Hill, owned by G. Franklin Stricklin, tried to pass Winton, outjump the consistent son of Belli Cassus but crashed heavily. Mr. David Pearce riding Paul H. Miller's Indian Knight and Mr. Howard Lomas on John E. Hughes' Field Glass, went down in smashers at the 21st and final fence as well.

Mr. Pete Reid on Mrs. Roper-Caldbeck's Rollaway II and Mr. Paul Miller, on his Play Here, winner last fall at Rose Tree, made the pace to the 19th fence, where Mr. Janney took over.

After the 3 nearest contenders spilled at the 21st, John Strawberry's 13-year-old Bungtown, 3-time winner in last Autumn's timber racing, with Mr. Frank H. Powers, Jr., riding again, moved up to finish 2nd, 20 lengths away from the winner and Mr. Benjamin H. Griswold III riding his wife's Battery B., was 3rd.

The Winton-Mr. Janney combination did it again and handily, although Winton was a tired horse in the home stretch and well he should be, for the time was 6:25 2-5, a new record for the course, according to Race Committee Chairman E. Ross Pearce. It was Winton's 1st race of this season and there was no doubt among the 7,000 who witnessed his feat, or the presentation made by Mrs. Jane Fowler Bassett of the Elkridge-Harford Hunt Trophy, that the best horse had again won.

Mr. Miller, owner of Indian Knight, was riding his own Play Here in this race and was up with the leaders until the 19th fence, where his horse ran out. Mr. Miller, 44-year-old Carroll County dairyman, had schooled Play Here at night, by moonlight 2 weeks ago, in order to get in his spring plowing during the daytime. He turned down \$4,500 for his horse so that he could compete with Mr. Janney in The Manor race.

The big, brown gelding, Dark of the Moon, owned by H. L. Strauss, had an impressive way of going. By *Kantar—Lady in the Moon, by *Sickle, he is a half-brother to the stakes winners, New Moon and Quarter Moon. He finished 6th.

Fox Hill has come in for considerable comment of late. The previous week in the McDonough School Challenge Cup, he finished 2nd to young Peter Alexander's Last Appeal. Fox Hill is the horse which was presented to the Army Relier Society in 1942 by Mrs. Dean Bedford to be chanced-off at the Pikesville Horse Show. Frank Stricklin, Hampstead, Md., was the lucky winner for the price of two 25c tickets. Since then the horse has won open jumping classes in the show ring and ran an excellent race until he fell at the last fence.

Mr. Michael Smithwick rode a cracking-good race on Miss Laura Franklin's Roxspur to win the 23rd running of the John Rush Street

Memorial. Mr. M. Worthington Bordley made the pace for the 1st 2 miles on Lawrence Jones' Clifton's Duke. At the 19th fence Clifton's Duke could not withstand the challenge of Foxspur, a handsome little son of Pilate—Blue Ensign, by Blue Larkspur, bred by Howell E. Jackson. Mr. Smithwick, a Maryland High School student, made his move with grand timing, and won by a good 10 lengths. The winning rider, using the Janney-technique, saved ground on all turns, stayed just off the pace until the last mile and then moved up to win as he wanted.

The Smithwick-Roxspur win was likewise a popular one. They were given a big hand as Mrs. George Saportas, Jr. presented the trophy to Miss Franklin, a student of the Garrison Forest School and daughter of General and Mrs. John M. Franklin.

Mr. Smithwick, along with Mr. David Pearce and Mr. Louis Merryman, Jr., has the advantage of having a mother, who quite definitely believes that automobiles are more dangerous for youngsters than point-to-point horses. "Give them a horse and let them ride", seems to be the motto of the great sporting Maryland families who produce the Hunt Cup riders year after year, "and keep them out of cars until they've grown old enough to drive".

Young Mr. Pearce got a bad shaking in the morning while schooling a colt in a starting stall, but nothing daunted, he was up and a game rider on Indian Night in The Manor race.

The race course was established in 1909 by the Pearce family and Walter Hutchins. Race Committee Chairman E. Ross Pearce and his sister, Mrs. George A. Saportas, Jr. contribute much of their time and resources to sustain this fine point-to-point in the family tradition of My Lady's Manor.

SUMMARIES

36th Running My Lady's Manor Point-to-Point, 4 & up, abt. 4 mi., timber course, wt. 165 lbs., riders acceptable to Race Committee. Winner to receive piece of plate presented by Elkridge-Harford Hunt. Winner: b. g., 13, by Belli Cassus—Rosequartz, by Trap Rock. Breeder: Mrs. Helena S. Raskob. Trainer: Owner. Time: Not obtained.

1. Winton (Stuart S. Janney, Jr.), 165.

Mr. Stuart S. Janney, Jr.

2. Bungtown (John Strawberry), 165.

Mr. F. H. Powers, Jr.

3. Battery B. (Mrs. Benjamin H. Griswold III), 153. Mr. Benjamin H. Griswold III.

Eleven started; also ran (order of finish):

Redmond C. Stewart's Second Mate, 165. Mr.

Redmond C. Stewart; Mrs. T. Roper-Caldbeck's Rollaway II, 160. Mr. P. D. Reid; H. L.

Straus' Dark of the Moon, 155. Mr. Carey

Jackson; Louis McL. Merryman, Jr.'s Return,

160. Mr. Louis McL. Merryman, Jr. Fell, 21st

fence; John E. Hughes' Field Glass, 155. Mr.

Howard Logans; Paul H. Miller's Indian

Knight, 150. Mr. David Pearce, and G. Franklin

Stricklin's Fox Hill, 155. Mr. Kenneth

Boerner; Refused, 19th fence; Paul H. Miller's

Play Here, 158. Mr. Paul Miller. Won

handily by 20 lengths; place driving, show

ridden out. Scratched: Miss Betty Bosley's

Flemar; H. F. Christmas' Kanteno.

23rd Running John Rush Street Memorial,

5 & up, which have never won 2 races over

timber, point-to-points excepted; abt. 3 mi.,

timber course; wt. 165 lbs. Riders acceptable

to race committee. An owner riding allowed

5 lbs. Winner to receive piece of plate pre-

sented by committee. Winner: br. g., 7, by

Pilate—Blue Ensign, by Blue Larkspur.

Breeder: Howell E. Jackson. Trainer: M. Kil-

murray. Time: Not taken.

1. Roxspur (Miss Laura Franklin), 158.

Mr. Michael Smithwick.

2. Clifton's Duke (Lawrence Jones), 160.

Mr. W. M. Bordley.

3. Edward M. (Mrs. Benjamin Griswold III),

153. Mr. Benjamin M. Griswold III.

Nine started; also ran (order of finish):

H. R. Fenwick's Got Out, 150. Mr. H. R.

Fenwick; Miss Betty Bosley's Flemar, 165.

Mr. Louis McL. Merryman, Jr.; C. F. Strick-

land's Mill Wheel, 150. Mr. David Pearce;

Mrs. T. Roper-Caldbeck's Brown Watch, 165.

Mr. P. D. Reid; Fell; David S. Ridgely, Jr.'s

Gin and Port, 165. Mr. J. T. Menzies, Jr.;

and Dan Brewster's Clifton's Dan, 165. Mr.

Dan B. Brewster won by 10 lengths, handily;

place driving; show ridden out. Scratched:

Caleb Pascal's Today's Peter, 160; G. Franklin

Stricklin's Fox Hill, 155; H. L. Strauss' Dark

of the Moon, 155; Mrs. Hugh J. O'Donovan's

Jumping Don, 160.

Mr. and Mrs. Frazier Hosts At 8th Renfrew Junior Hunter Trials

By Margaret Kipp Drum

The 8th annual Renfrew Farm Junior Hunter Trials were held on Sat., April 12. A beautiful warm Spring day drew a large number of entries and crowds of spectators, the latter increasing throughout the afternoon, attracted by both the excellent performances of the "young entry" as well as the verdant hills of Mr. and Mrs. W. W. Frazier's Roxborough estate, Philadelphia, Pa.

It was "difficult decisions" nearly all day for Judges Albert J. Nesbitt, John Storey Smith, Thomas F. Simmons and Samuel K. Reeves. In the first handy hunter class Miss Elsie Wear on Spitfire and Miss Deirdre Hanna on The Rabbit were asked to jump off! Miss Hanna and The Rabbit won, but the competition was stiff with Miss Laura Miller on Melody, and Miss Betsy Glendenning on Broomy crowding the blue ribbons.

Close cooperation and competition was shown in the hunt teams where Miss Elsie Wear and Spitfire, Mrs. Deirdre Hanna on Easter, and Miss Laura Miller with Melody won 1st place, while The Rabbit, "Ticker" Griffiths on Ben Nevis, and Miss Miller on Crumdale came in 2nd.

The much-coveted Renfrew Farm Plate for the best type of child's working hunter was finally fought for in figure-eights, joggings up and down, and backing. After long deliberation and careful consideration, Spitfire was picked the winner and The Rabbit for 2nd place.

Class 3, handy hunters for those 19 years and over was won consistently and completely by the Renfrew Farm entries, competently piloted in order of winning by Miss Julie Thayer, Mrs. W. W. Frazier

IV, W. W. Frazier IV, and Miss Julie Thayer.

Mike Mullen, promising young hunter owned by Mrs. Miles Valentine, had three winning rides during the day. Henry Barratt rode him to win the blue in the 2nd handy hunter class, and again in the 2nd class over the natural country course, both classes for children between the ages of 15 and 18 years inclusive. With Miss Jill Landreth up, Mike Mullen took 1st place in the hunters over a natural country for those over 19 years. Having presented the trophy, Miss Landreth gave

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Flintridge Hunter Trials

An Outstanding West Coast Contribution To Hunter Showing

By Gerald B. Webb, Jr.

The Chronicle has had the pleasure of reviewing many hunter and jumper horse show activities in California during the past half-dozen years. However, it was not until the Flintridge Hunter Trials, held, April 4-5-6 on Keith Spalding's magnificent Flintridge Hunter Trials Field, near Pasadena, Calif., that an opportunity was had to view West Coast hunters, jumpers and sportsmen in action. This came in the kind invitation extended by Col. Alex Sysin and E. Allen Russell, Jr. to journey to California to act as a judge of the some 30 classes held in the 3-day, morning and afternoon trials.

The invitation was accepted during the height of Santa Anita Park racing, following the Santa Anita Handicap, and meant that following a ride in the Piedmont Point-to-Point Rokeby Bowl that I would be quickly transplanted in the matter of 12 hours American Air Lines time, from the heart of Virginia to Los Angeles, Calif.

Of course the transition was tremendous. From racing hunters over a 5-mile demanding Piedmont Hunt country layout, I found myself in the midst of a 20-acre park, with residential areas abutting on one side, and mountains on the other,



THE 3-PHASE HUNTER TRIALS.

Coast does not really swing into action until later in the spring, and then it does with a real vengeance, and carries on throughout the summer and fall, right up to December, when the Los Angeles National and the San Francisco, Calif. Cow Palace feature fixtures are held. Perhaps, on this basis, it was not fair to consider so strongly a good going on hunting pace, but still we placed emphasis on this in all performances. Few owners or riders have an opportunity to ride to hounds out there and appreciate a "going on performance", still we judges were not hesitant in letting the exhibitors know what we were on the look-out

for the final championship point scoring, all points were averaged. Egon Merz, after having won the show jumping phase with his Bambino, veteran of a decade of horse show contention on the West Coast went unplaced as The Egan Stable's young Bay Fern just bested Miss Mary Rogers' Victory, Miss Pat Malcolm's Pacemaker and Alex Wilson's *Culpepper, as the model horse of the trials. Miss Lois Fraser's Gold Lode was 5th.

The concluding phase saw all horses put through a training test, in which hunters were made to track to the left at free walk, slow trot, halt and back 4 steps, trot in 20'-0"

This easy moving chestnut gelding dropped rails in important classes later in the show which were costly.

There were 90 horses in all entered and shown in the 30 classes. Many competed in open jumping, working and conformation classes; did well. However, this was the first show for Californians over cross-country courses which demanded condition. Those who chose to concentrate the hunter's efforts in classes directly qualifying for championship honors enjoyed most success, avoiding the leg weariness which went with others entering every event. Miss Ellen Crabtree, an owner-rider on her Bonameo, showed



MICHAEL ROARK presented Miss Sandra Logue the trophy for the children's jumpers.



Miss Lois Fraser's GOLD LODGE won the model, Col. Alex Sysin, riding.



Miss Norma Mathews rode many open jumpers.



Egon Merz on his BAMBINO to win the 3-Phase Event.

in which Col. Sysin had ingeniously arranged some dozen varied 1-2 and 3-4-mile hunter trial courses. These courses are used for the enjoyment of the sportsman, Mr. Spalding, an ex-poloist, keenly interested in foxhunting, who now finds his constitutionals over the variegated jumps which abound in this field. Every sort of jump imaginable, from the Olympic type to strictly hunting obstacle are there and none with wings.

The judges were Col. F. W. Koester, Hq. Western Remount, Pomona, Calif., Mr. Fred Simpson, of San Diego, Calif., and the writer. Genuine horsemen, these two, we got together in advance and agreed on the type of performances we considered should be pinned for hunting pace and our eyes were as one when it came to conformation. The 1st day was mainly devoted to the 3-phase hunter trials test. There were of course novice classes in the ring, open jumper events as well, but the main objective of the 1st day was this 3-phase test, a highly revolutionary thing in the hunter circles, and a genuine inspiration to the hunter people of California. There is nothing like this event or the courses in the entire United States and the nearest approach to it is the Olympic 3-day test for jumpers, in which hunting manners, pace and performance are not counted.

California hunter people, having no foxhunting packs to go with during the winter months, do not have any reason to keep their horses up during January, February and March. In consequence, in that this was the inauguration of an event which is destined to be the most successful and sought after trophy on the Pacific Coast, few owners had had their horses up long enough to have gained the necessary condition. The horse show season on the West

for and what we desired.

Col. Sysin had worked hard on the rules governing the 3-phase event. These were clearly outlined in the prize list and catalogue. A show jumping test, counting 200 points, a cross country test counting 600 points and a training test counting 200 points, totalled 1,000 points. The one great problem which faced the judges was the scoring of the cross-country phase as the proportion of points for demonstrating galloping ability, knowledge of pace,

diameter circles, changing diagonals, changing leads in tight cantering circles, etc. This was worth a total of 200 points and was won by Bambino with a perfect score. Mr. and Mrs. Charles Wilson's Royal Salut bested Victory and *Culpepper in order, back of the winner. As that consistent old campaigner Bambino with his owner-up took the top award with 948 1-2 with *Culpepper, the German import which came over with the 1st shipment of the Remount horses, the 2nd place winner

discretion in this regard, limiting her mount's classes to some 5 events, all championship qualifying.

Bonameo did not participate in the 3-phase hunter trials event, his owner believing that he lacked condition for the long courses so early in the season. Entered in 5 events, Bonameo won the middleweight hunters and the hunter sweepstakes, placed 3rd in the ladies' hunters and 5th in the amateur hunters to arrive at the championship and defeat the reserve, Ibn Lare, owned by Miss



MRS. BARBARA WORTH ZIMMERMAN after 590 miles, was greeted by E. Allen Russell, Jr., from whom she purchased the grey conformation colt. A tug on the tail and out came DALE RAKER to win the big novice event of the Flintridge Show.



control of horse, way of going, pace, style of jumping and condition was not clearly defined. The judges improvised a scoring card and allocated 100 points to the demonstration of the gallop and race, 300 points for jumping, 100 points for way of going, manners, etc., and 100 points for condition.

Each judge scored separately and

with 947. Had this horse, which no doubt had more advanced dressage training, customary to all European horses, than other hunters contending, been graded 2 points higher on his change of diagonals he would have beaten Bambino.

Victory, shown throughout the trials by Miss Pat Malcolm and Robert Egan, was 3rd, with 938 points.

Frances Zucco. Bonameo is a solid looking dark bay gelding standing 16.1 hands and has ample conformation considering he does his job so well over jumps and through the field. His owner rode him with confidence and like many regretted she had not had him up earlier to have him in more advanced condition, in-

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Thoroughbred Racing and Breeding



BROOKMEADE STABLE'S GRAND ADMIRAL had one good roll on Aiken sand before departing the winter training quarters to his retirement at Brookmeade Farm, where he stands at stud and will get a court of 10 mares this season. His first mare was STEP AWAY, dam of the 1947 winner ELASTIC. Prominent breeders have already booked to him in 1948-1949. Freudy Photos.



H. H. THE GAEKWAR OF BARODA, India, visited Belmont Park. This Indian prince, whose racing string includes prominent candidates for the British Derby, is pictured with George D. Widener's record-breaking handicap horse, LUCKY DRAW, and Trainer Bert Mulholland. New York Racing Photos



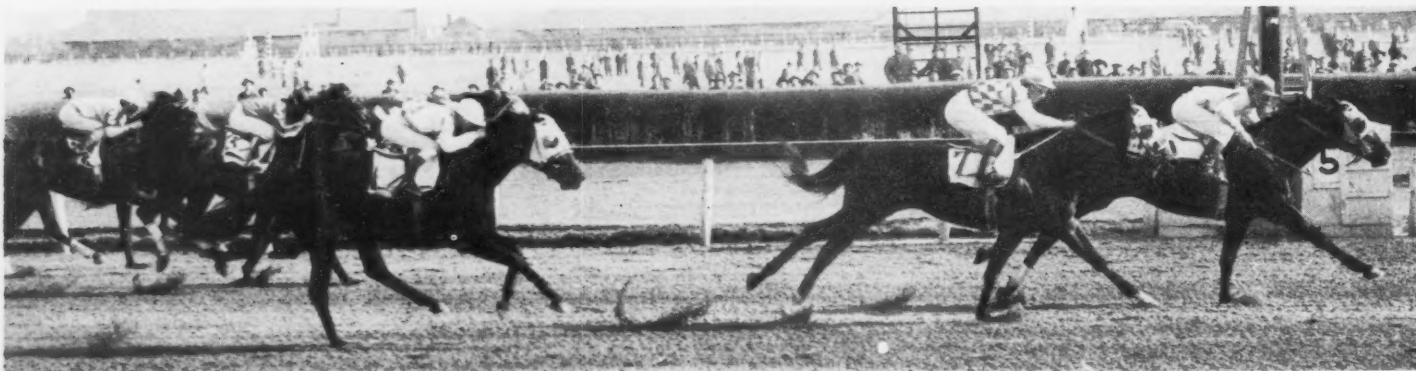
JAMAICA PRESIDENT, John A. Morris, presented Ted Atkinson, leading 1946 jockey with Jockey's Guild plaque. New York Racing Photos



WALTER P. CHRYSLER won the 1st race in the New York season with SASSANID. Last year GALLAHAD won the New York season's opener. Morgan Photo.



IT WAS A RAINY DAY at Jamaica when FIGHTING FRANK dashed home in the Paumonok Handicap, just as his daddy FIGHTING FOX did before him. The winner, which winter raced at lovely Santa Anita, beat POLYNESIAN and KING DORSETT as the highly regarded William Helis entry of RIPPEY and GREEK WARRIOR finished last. Morgan Photo.



CORNELIUS VANDERBILT WHITNEY'S BASTOGNE, handled by Sylvester Veitch, was the first stakes-winning 3-year-old of the New York season when he beat I WILL in the Experimental Free Handicap at Jamaica, when Brookmeade Stables PEACE HARBOR was third.

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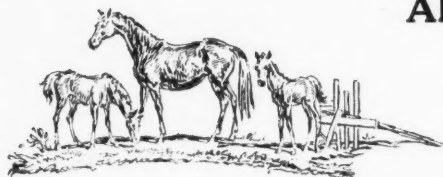
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Thoroughbreds

**Writer Has No Selection Or Tip To Offer
Bettor In Kentucky Derby, But Believes In
"You Pays Your Money and Takes Your Choice"**

by Salvator

On Saturday of next week, May 3, the seventy-third Kentucky Derby will be run at Churchill Downs, Louisville. In previous recent issues of The Chronicle that fact has been dwelt upon and now for the last time in advance of the contest it is being considered.

The reader who is looking for a "selection"—in vulgar parlance a tip—will, however, be disappointed. We have none to offer—and over and above that, no desire to offer one.

When we adopted the profession of a turf writer—which was longer ago than it seems necessary to specify—we made two resolutions which we have ever since respected and expect to "to the end of the chapter."

One was to do no betting on the races.

The other was to give out no tips upon them.

We believe both these practices detrimental to any unbiased, unprejudiced views or judgments of racing and race horses.

Not until human nature changes vastly from what it is today, and always has been, and men much more nearly approach the estate of angels, will anything else be possible. We state this as our deliberate judgment after a life spent in following the profession named.

During that term we have heard many heated arguments, verbal, and read a good many very hard-boiled ones in print, to the effect that betting on the races, or giving out selections for the guidance of bettors, can be done without affecting the impartiality of either class of men. But to us none of them have ever been convincing.

They remind us of the argument of the life-insurance solicitor, that taking out an insurance policy actually prolongs the life of the policy-

holder because of the added sense of security it gives him as regards the welfare of his family after his death.

According to the actuaries, "statistics show" that insured men live longer than uninsured ones, barring those which are taken away by violent or accidental deaths.

This is a truly beautiful argument—from the salesman's point of view—and it has "worked" in the closing of many a policy. It will probably continue to, as human nature is very susceptible to that kind of persuasion.

Similarly the tipster and the bettor have a profusion of perfectly unassailable (?) arguments which prove (?) beyond the shadow of a doubt (?) that they can give out tips and make bets without in any way affecting their cold, clear and unbiased judgment and its cash value to others.

Which state of mind may be classified among many other human hallucinations, widely prevalent and classifying farther, by those who indulge them, as assaying at least 95 per cent rational, safe, sane and correct.

There are, of course, many different systems of selecting winners and betting upon them—that is, before they have won and not the next time out.

A good many of them have been published to the world by their inspired authors in either pamphlet form at 5 cents or book form at \$5.00. "You pays your money and you takes your choice". And whichever choice you make makes not the slightest difference as between and betwixt... None whatever.

One of the most widely favored and successful of selective methods has, however, lapsed into innocuous desuetude. Sad to relate.

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Letter From New York

**Increases In Stakes Purses Draw Record
Breaking Nominations As Racing
In New York Gets A Break**

by Bob Kelley

Just as this writer sat down to prepare these lines, with some notes in his hands of what he thought would be a most welcome and interesting story for the readers of this periodical, the word came in of what had happened to Gerry Webb. The notes and the story planned form as fitting a comment on Gerry Webb as can be written. Even to one who knew him as slightly as the writer, the connection must be obvious.

The story is the announcement of the increase—in purses, in nominations, in owners and in riders—reflected in the Belmont Park steeplechase stakes.

Stakes Increases

Three of the Belmont stakes, which were at 7,500 last year, have been lifted to \$10,000 each this season and the \$10,000 stake has been increased to \$15,000. All four of the stakes and the Spring Maiden have drawn record breaking nominations as compared with the past year.

And Jack Cooper, secretary of the National Steeplechase and Hunt Association reports that the number of registered owners has increased about 20 percent and that there will be more new riders than a year ago. Every good horse in the country has been nominated for the Belmont stakes, with the exception of Refugio, now back in the country and to be rested until Autumn following his run in the Liverpool Grand National. *Caddie and Little Sammie.

The International Steeplechase, to be run Friday, May 9, is increased from \$7,500 to \$10,000; The Charles L. Appleton, to be run Thursday, May 15, the same increase; The Corinthian, to be run Thursday, May 22, the same; The Meadow Brook, to be run Wednesday, May 28, from \$10,000 to \$15,000.

The Spring Maiden retains the

\$5,000 added for Belmont's share of this three-cornered event and will be run on Friday, May 16.

Best Season

There is not the slightest doubt this will be the best season through the field New York has had in the past five or six seasons and there is to be continued vigilance and effort to improve and maintain properly the courses.

Wood Memorial

The past Saturday produced one of the greatest days of racing New York has seen in a good many moons. There was even the illusion of there being room at Jamaica, when only a few more than 50,000 people showed up for the two divisions of the Wood Memorial.

What took place during this pleasant afternoon strengthened the hopes of those who have been expecting big things of the good looking Virginian, Phalanx, which races in the colors of C. V. Whitney—Eton blue with brown cap. This was about the only one that really looked the part of a 3-year-old champion, for he moved through the first half of the Wood with the confidence and the clean punching style of a real one.

Phalanx

Under Eddie Arcaro, who was hot as a mid-town pavement in August, Phalanx felt his adversaries out heading into the back stretch. You could almost see their legs buckle under them as he slugged that first time. After that, it was only a question of whether he would have room to get through when he wanted to. Arcaro sees to that when he has the horse under him to do it with; always sees to that, or almost always.

Stepfather

In the other half its seems there was some demonstration that it Continued on Page Fourteen

TEN LEADING AMERICAN STAKES WINNERS

(Through April 19)

10 LEADING SIRES OF STAKES WINNERS

	Races Won	1st Monies Won
BULL LEA	4	\$140,700
(Armed, 3, Faultless)		
*ALIBHAI	3	125,300
(On Trust, 2, Cover Up)		
SALERNO	1	98,900
(*Olhaverly)		
ROMAN	7	79,490
(Cosmic Missile 2, The Shaker 2, Emperor, Romanette, I will)		
ARIGOTAL	2	74,550
(Hubble Bubble, 2)		
*BLENHEIM	2	50,450
(Owners Choice, Jet Pilot)		
*SHIFTING SANDS II	1	45,150
(Texas Sandman)		
HOLLYWOOD	2	42,975
(See-Tee-See, Hemet Squaw)		
BOXTHORN	1	42,450
(El Lobo)		
*CHRYSLER II	1	40,900
(Lets Dance)		

10 LEADING BREEDERS OF STAKES WINNERS

	Races Won
Calumet Farm	5
Elmendorf Farm	5
Mrs. E. V. Mars	4
L. B. Mayer	4
A. B. Hancock	3
P. T. Chinn	2
R. C. Ellsworth	2
W. M. Jeffords	2
W. L. Jones, Jr.	2
Mrs. John Hertz	2

10 LEADING OWNERS OF STAKES WINNERS

	Races Won
Calumet Farm	5
Augustus & Nahm	4
Circle M. Farm	3
Shamrock Stables	3
Sunshine Stable	3
C. V. Whitney	3
R. C. Ellsworth	2
L. Gerngross	2
E. O. Stice & Son	2
R. S. McLaughlin	2

10 LEADING TRAINERS OF STAKES WINNERS

	Races Won
H. A. Jones	5
C. J. Hall	4
J. McGee	3
J. B. Rosen	3
B. B. Williams	3
W. O. Hicks	2
W. Molter	2
M. A. Tenney	2
S. E. Veich	2
O. White	2

Breeders' Notes

Ky.-Tenn. Feud

Commissioner O. E. Van Cleave, Nashville, Tenn., pointed out the interesting geological fact that Tennessee and Kentucky possess the only 2 areas of phosphatic-limestone bluegrass in the United States "and probably in the world" in the "Tenn. Department of Agriculture booklet entitled 'Farming and Living'". In so doing he stirred up a spirited "feud". He happened to mention also that Tennessee's patch covered 4,193,000 acres and Kentucky's only 1,577,000. Harry W. Shacter, prominent Louisville businessman retorted: "There must be something in Tennessee's bluegrass that makes a horse want to walk instead of run", to which Tennessee's Commissioner of Agriculture, Van Cleave, came back: "There is also something in Tennessee bluegrass which makes our horses walk faster than some Kentucky horses can run".—Tennessee also boasts the development and breed of the Tennessee Walking horse, the fame of which has spread over the country.

California Undercurrents

All is not as unrippled on the California turf as it may seem on the surface. There are undercurrents from merchants and businessmen that would indicate that there is already too much racing in the state. Certainly, it will take good judgment to veto requests for new tracks, more racing, and sustain the sport on a high plane that businessmen will not be rankled with slowly paid and un-paid accounts. There is already talk of a petition. But recently a California Assemblyman, of Sacramento, introduced a bill to the California legislature which might have restricted entries in stakes races to California horses or those wintered there. Mr. Evans' bill got little support, even though it was designed to keep such horses as Calumet Stable's Armed from being flown to the West Coast to participate in the Santa Anita, even winning the \$100,000 stakes and then taking leave so quickly that the State of California benefitted scarcely nothing from the visit such as accrues from a big stable wintering there for several months.

Conforms Sweep Card

An incident without equal occurred at the Bega Jockey Club meeting of 1922 in Australia when sons and daughters of the stallion Conform swept the card, winning all 5 races. One afternoon in 1942, *Blenheim II attracted considerable attention when 4 horses sired by the imported English Derby winner, Nippy, Thumbs Up, Whirlaway and Lord Kitchener, won at Belmont Park.—T. R. A.

"The Frenchman"

Hirsch Jacobs and Isador Bieber call the French horse *Flambeur, "The Frenchman". This horse was purchased for \$30,000 at the Joseph E. Widener estate sale, along with *Basileus, which was bid in at \$40,000. Both horses wintered well at Jack Skinner's Middleburg, Va., training establishment.

"Really The Finest"

Dr. Alvis E. Greer, Houston, Tex., states quite emphatically that his colt by *Half Crown out of his top mare, Stepping Out, foaled in Kentucky recently is "really the finest colt of the year they tell me". Dr. Greer has a Thoroughbred nursery on his Maidal Ranch near Burton, Tex.

Silver Queen

Mrs. Elizabeth Graham Lewis has named her Maine Chance Farm \$54,000 War Admiral—Danise M., by *Epinard filly, purchased as a yearling, Silver Queen. Danise M., during her career as a race horse, raced in the interests of the founder of the publication "Collyer's Eye", a turf publication, then owned by Bert E. Collyer.

Mrs. Lee's String

Mrs. D. N. Lee has wintered some 30 horses in Camden. Among these were Breathless, owned by Phil Godfrey and a half-brother to I Will, by *Ambrose Light. She also had the 'chaser Grey Hood, the jumper which came to grief in a fatal fall for the late John S. Harrison, amateur rider. Grey Hood is slated for flat efforts. Under the supervision of Aubrey Fishback, Brooks Neddle, 4-year-old by Neddle, bred by the late W. W. Vaughan, is being schooled for 'chasing.

Money To Claim

There's money to claim if the \$15,000 dropped in the box to take On the River at Hialeah is any indication. Mrs. C. O. Ferguson paid this for the Idle Hour Stock Farm-bred, one of the few of the late Col. E. R. Bradley's breeding which was not given a name beginning with a "B". On the River, formerly owned by Mrs. James McGee, is by Jamestown—Be Like Mom, by *Sickle and won \$8,840 in 1946, his 3-year-old year.

Singing Cowboy Trainer

Stuart Hamblen is a singing cowboy of the radio airways in the late afternoons and a happy go lucky singing horse trainer in the mornings. He trains El Lobo, San Antonio Handicap winner of the \$50,000 purse money. He switched this good 6-year-old son of Boxhorn from sprinting to a distance. Trainer Hamblen has been singing on the airways 18 years and been training track performers for 6.

\$75 Run To \$9,000

Dr. William Kenney, breeder of Imperator, recent winner of the Bahamas Handicap in Florida, purchased *Regina II, by Wallenstein, dam of Imperator, for but \$75. *Regina II was imported by Equestria Inc., and was once owned by John S. Wiggins. Dr. Kenney got \$9,000 for Imperator, son of Roman, when he sold the yearling at public auction.

April Purses

Thirty-eight stakes races, worth a total of \$472,500 in added money were carded for the month of April as racing came out of its winter hibernation in Florida and California.

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The film patrol, utilized at the big tracks, has also proven an excellent means to detect riding faults and trainers and owners have frequently taken their jockeys in to view the films in the turf club projection rooms. Delaware Park, like other big centers in the East and in California has adopted the new and improved technique of patrolling racing.

*Nordlicht's Foals

*Sea Breeze, purchased by Raymond Guest at the Remount Sale last Autumn foaled a good looking chestnut colt by *Nordlicht at Mr. Guest's Rock Hill Farm, near White Post, Va., on Sunday, April 6. The dam is a 13-year-old matron daughter of Coronach—Golden Clear, by Golden Sun. The progeny will probably race in England or in France, where *Sea Breeze is recognized. She was one of the German imports which the United States Army Remount failed to gain registration for in its blanket request for Registration by the New York Jockey Club for all horses brought to U. S. as reparations.

Reynolds Brothers Expand

The Reynolds Brothers, out near Fort Worth, Tex., have expanded, recently leasing the Ernest Allen barns and pastures, to take care of crowded conditions and new foal arrivals. Some 20 mares and foals have already been ensconced in the Allen establishment. The Reynolds have *Taj Akbar, Bull's Eye and Proph standing at their Texas stud farm.

Fighting Foxes

There have been several Fighting Fox winners of the Paumonok Handicap at Jamaica. Fighting Frank won the other day, as did his sire, Fighting Fox, in 1940 and Fighting Step, another son, won in 1946.

Lucky Jean's Discovery

The Danny Sheas, of Merryland Farm, Hyde, Md., were delighted with the Discovery colt of Lucky Jean's foaled March 26. This colt is a half brother to the stakes winner Turbine, leading American money winner at the 1946 Atlantic City meeting. Lucky Jean goes to Roman this season.

*Donatello II Colt

North Wales Stud's much looked for foal has arrived. *Cosquillo, dam of *Princequillo now standing at Claiborne Stud, Paris, Ky., foaled a colt by *Donatello II. *Donatello II is the sire of the 1945 English Derby winner, Dante.

Mile-Away Stables

Mr. and Mrs. W. O. Moss have some 44 horses at their Mile-Away Stables, Southern Pines, N. C. this season. These include horses of Mr. and Mrs. Ralph K. Trix, Mrs. W. J. Kennedy, with her Flagola and Grozney; Mrs. D. N. Lee's 3-year-old by Little Pebble being made for hunting and showing; Nick Saegmuller's Prince, a useful riding and

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hunting horse; Mrs. James Mechlin's Henry's Dream among others. Mrs. Kennedy's Grozney, chestnut son of Claptrap—Baker is a very smooth, grand mannered 4-year-old which will be heard from in the show rings. Mrs. Forrest Sherman's Beale Walk is also the cynosure of all eyes there at Mile-Away. It was good to see old Rustler, former confidential hunter of Almet Jenks, a pre-War II Moore County Hounds man.

Boston Man Again

He is 9 now, but he is still racing and winning. The entire son of Bostonian—Candy May, named Boston Man by his owner-breeder Mrs. J. D. Stetson Coleman, of The Plains, Va., came out in April to make his 1st 1947 effort a winner—one at Pascoag Park, R. I., with Trainer H. M. Simpson, doing the saddling. During various years, convalescing, Boston Man has had a number of mares at Mrs. Coleman's Archwood Manor.

What's The Colt Worth?

Twilight Tear, the leading 3-year-old filly and "Horse of the Year" in 1944, foaled a bay colt by Whirlaway on Friday, April 9. By the World's leading money winner, also bred at Calumet Farm, like Twilight Tear, the colt has no sale price. Manager of Calumet Farm's breeding and racing, Ben Jones and Paul Eberhart farm manager, were on hand for the eventful evening of Twilight Tear's foaling.

Dinner Purse

Out at Keeneland, Ky., there is a delightful little race course, where officials all pay their way in and there is no fence around the plant. There they run annually the Thoroughbred Club Dinner Purse, one of the best examples of the spirit which makes Thoroughbred racing a lasting sport. Members of The Thoroughbred Club run their horses, or leased ones, and this year there are 65 subscribers to the race which was renewed on April 17. This year the Dinner Purse was won by Bewitch, a daughter of Bull Lea.

Delaware Advances

Donald P. Ross, J. Simpson Dean, M. F. H., and William du Pont, Jr., M. F. H., are constantly thinking of the better interests of their Delaware Park, steeplechasing and flat racing. Just announced is the new 5-8's mile training track for the meeting which gets underway on May 29. This is in addition to the new hurdle course which was announced by Bryan Field, general manager, a short time ago. The new training track has exactly the same surface as the main track, a cushion of 4".

Helis' Big Loafer

The Thoroughbred Racing Assn. reports that William Helis, who maintains his Helis Stock Farm (the old Rancocas Farm), near Jobstown, N. J., who has some 100 foals on their way and 40 already on hand, states: "They're all over the place, like goats now. They're all my pets". Mr. Helis will probably consign many of these foals to the Saratoga Sales in 1948. As for his Kentucky Derby hope, Cosmic Bomb, Mr. Helis says: "He's a big loafer. He won't work any more than he thinks he ought to, but he'll run in the afternoon".

Stymie's Relation

Robert Kleberg's King Ranch interests is vitally concerned with the foaling of Stop Watch. Down at the Greentree Farm's "maternity ward" the dam of Stymie is "expecting" a progeny of the late Equestrian. Whether a full brother or sister of Stymie there no doubt but that Hirsch Jacobs would be delighted to get his hands on the youngster. His Stymie is a mighty challenge to the world's leading money winner Whirlaway's throne.

Tenn. In A Big Way

Margaret Lindsley Warden wrote recently: "Miss Mildred Woolwine brought Tennessee to the attention of the Thoroughbred world in a big way when she sold 4 yearlings at the Lexington (Ky.) sales for \$100,000. If Dr. Esle Asbury hadn't made an average of \$25,125 for 4 head, Miss Woolwine would have held the all-time world record's for yearling sales average. However Dr. Asbury's top and bottom prices were \$65,000 and \$4,500 and Miss Woolwine's yearlings brought \$30,000, \$28,000, \$26,000 and \$16,000".

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In 1946 as a 2-year-old BULLET PROOF won three races: The Delaware Park Maiden Colt and Gelding Race, July 23 Allowance Race Atlantic City, Laurel Spring Purse at Garden State, August 29.

In 1947 he was beaten a half length by Faultless in the Seagull Purse on January 31. **BULLET PROOF won The Lynwood Purse at Hialeah, beating Faultless on February 22.**

His sire STEPENFETCHIT stands at \$300 and return

Other Llangollen Sires:

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Gr. 1934

by *Royal Canopy—*Bonne Cause, by Bonfire

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Great War

Gr. 1938

by Man o'War—Great Bell, by *Stefan the Great

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by Bonne Nuit—Poulette, by *Coq Gaulois

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Gr. 1939 by *Royal Minstrel—Rueful, by *St. Germans.
\$1,000—No Return. BOOK FULL.

Pilate

Ch. 1928 by Friar Rock—*Herodias, by The Tetrarch.
\$1,000—No Return. BOOK FULL (Fee payable at time of service).

By Jimminy

Br. 1941 by *Pharamond II—Buginarug, by Blue Larkspur.
\$1,000—Return. BOOK FULL.

Eurasian

Br. 1940 by *Quatre Bras II—Tehani, by *Carlaris.
\$500—Return.

Imp. Chrysler II

Br. 1931 by *Teddy—Quick Change, by Hurry On.
\$350—Return.

Head Play

Ch. 1930 by My Play—Red Head, by King Gorin.
\$350—Return.

Ramillies

B. 1939 by *Blenheim II—Risky, by Diadumenos.
\$350—Return.

Selalbeda

B., 1938 by Mokatam—Acacia, by *Archaic.
\$250—Return (Property Paragon Stables).

Balmy Spring

Br. 1936 by Black Toney—Blossom Time.
\$200—Live Foal (Property Cold Spring Farm).

Anibras

1939 by *Quatre Bras II—Tehani, by *Carlaris.
\$100—Return (Property Paragon Stables).

Kaytee

B. 1941 by Blue Larkspur—Occult, by *Dis Done.
Free to approved mares.

Winton Defeated In Maryland National

Clifton's Duke Defeats Stuart Janney In Feature Timber Race; Daniel Brewster Wins Foxhunters Challenge Cup

by Nancy G. Lee

One of the most outstanding courses in the spring race meeting circuits is the scene for the Grand National Point-to-Point in The Western Run Valley near Butler, Md. Saturday, April 19 was the 45th annual Grand National and the 1st running for the William F. Cochran, Jr. Memorial Challenge Cup.

Eleven horses remained of the original 20 entries and Marylanders were anxious to see their favorite, 13-year-old Winton, make his bid for another victory. This amazing horse had won the Grand National Point-to-Point in 1941-42 and 1946 retiring the challenge cup, and the previous week had made another accounting of My Lady's Manor. As the horses paraded to the post, the crowd made its way from the paddock to the top of the hill. The hillside was already crowded with spectators who had not elected to go to the paddock but preferred to stay put until the horses were ready to start.

The first several jumps were not visible from the hilltop but when they came into view, Mr. P. D. Reid and Rollaway II were leading and at the 4th jump, Mr. F. H. Powers and Warslin went down but the horse continued with the field throughout the race.

The horses were running at a fast clip. As they moved on to where it was almost impossible to designate the leaders without benefit of glasses, Rollaway II, Clifton's Duke, Second Mate and the loose Warslin had quite a lead on the field. This order continued and at the 14th jump, Mr. Michael Smithwick and Roxspur came a cropper, Mr. Smithwick suffering a broken collarbone.

With the field moving right along approaching the first jumps, everyone was waiting for Mr. Stuart S. Janney, Jr. and Winton to make a challenge. Mr. B. H. Griswold III and Battery B. went down at the 17th jump but the race was on for the winner, Clifton's Duke, which had finished 2nd in My Lady's Manor on the 12th, was on top and Winton was seen to make his bid. However, everyone felt that at the last jump a loose horse almost shut Winton off and driving to a terrific finish, Clifton's Duke was not to be headed and won by a length as Winton finished 3 lengths ahead of Rollaway II.

With part of the spectators on the hillside and the rest at the finish, speculation ran high as to which horse actually won. Reports were varied but then it was known that Clifton's Duke had broken Winton's winning streak and the challenge cup went to his owner, Lawrence Jones with congratulations to Trainer Janon Fisher and rider Mr. Bordley.

The fifth running of the Fox Hunters Challenge Cup was the other event on the card and 4 horses faced the starter. Off to the first jump the riders very wisely kept the pace slow as this was an outstanding test for a hunter over about 4 1-2 miles of natural hunting country, including part of the Grand National course.

Mr. Gerald B. Webb, Jr., member of the Middleburg Hunt Club, and owner-rider on Inure, went to the top but Inure refused the 1st jump. A refusal at the 2nd, 3rd and 4th jumps failed to daunt this sporting gentleman and each time he went back to the leader. By the hillside the 1st time, Mr. Daniel Brewster was on top riding Big Severn with Inure 2nd. Inure made a wide swing to the left approaching the next jump and again refused but was turned quickly and went over. Catching up with the leading Big Severn, the next jumps were negotiated safely with the pace still a hunting one. The 15th jump in the 26-jump course found Big Severn over safely but Inure hit hard; his left foot was thrown from the saddle, his left foot catching in the stirrup. Patrol judges and a farm hand caught the terrified horse and loosened his rider's foot from the stirrup. This proved to be

the last ride for The Chronicle's grand sporting editor.

The race was still on with Big Severn running evenly. At the 24th jumps, Mr. Fife Symington and his Skippy came a cropper, leaving only two horses to finish the course. Mr. J. Rieman McIntosh was unable to offer any serious challenge to Big Severn and finished 2nd as Big Severn went on to win.

SUMMARIES

45th Annual Grand National Point-to-Point. 4 1/2 up, abt. 3 mi. over natural country. To be ridden by amateurs holding certificates from the Hunts Committee of the National Steeplechase & Hunt Association and those eligible for same. 1st Running for the William F. Cochran, Jr. Memorial Challenge Cup, to be held 30 days prior to next running. Owner of winner to receive a cup for permanent possession. Rider to receive a trophy. Winner: b. g. (8), by Coq d'Esprit—Lough Storm, by *Lough Foyle. Breeder: Dr. Lewis M. Allen. Trainer: Janon Fisher. Time: 6:15 2-5.

1. Clifton's Duke, (Lawrence Jones), 165, Mr. Worthington Bordley.
2. Winton, (Stuart S. Janney, Jr.), 165, Mr. Stuart S. Janney, Jr.

3. Rollaway II, (Mrs. T. Roper-Caldbeck), 155, Mr. P. D. Reid.

Eleven started; also ran (order of finish): Walter Wickes, Jr.'s Fonsilver, 165, Mr. Walter Wickes, Jr.; Redmond C. Stewart, Jr.'s Second Mate, 155, Mr. Hugh O'Donovan; John M. Schiff's Lad O'Wax, 155, Mr. P. Smithwick; J. Franklin Stricklin's Fox Hill, 155, Mr. Kenneth Boerner; John E. Hughes' Field Glass, 155, Mr. Howard Lomas; fell (17); Mrs. B. H. Griswold, III's Battery B., 155, Mr. B. H. Griswold, III; (14); Miss Laura Franklin's Roxspur, 165, Mr. Michael Smithwick; (4); Samuel B. Eckert's Warslin, 155, Mr. F. H. Powers. Won receiving by 1; place same by 3; show same by 5. Scratched: Carolina, Dark of the Moon, Gin and Port, Edward M. Refair, Moorwick, Indian Knight, Play Here, Big Severn. 18 jumps.

5th Running of the Fox Hunters Challenge Cup. abt. 4 1/2 miles, course flagged over natural hunting country. Riders must be male members of recognized hunt club or a United States Army Officer. Owners must be members of recognized hunt club or a United States Army Officer. Weight 160 lbs. minimum. Riders to wear hunting attire, pink or army uniform. Challenge cup to be held by owner of winner until 30 days prior to next running, as well as cup for permanent possession. Trophy for rider of winner. Winner: ch. g. (12), by Big Blaze—Margaret Severn, by Friar Rock. Breeder: Samuel D. Riddle. Trainer: Owner. Time: 15:55 2-5.

1. Big Severn, (Walter Wickes, Jr.), 180, Mr. Daniel Brewster.
2. Dumbarton, (J. Rieman McIntosh), Mr. J. Rieman McIntosh.

Four started; also ran: fell (23): Fife Symington's Skippy, 183, Mr. Fife Symington, (15); Gerald B. Webb, Jr.'s Inure, 180, Mr. Gerald B. Webb, Jr. Won easily by 25. Scratched: Clifton's Dan, Party Lines, Happy Cook, Fonsilver. 26 jumps.

United Hunts Gives \$20,000 To Hunt Meetings For '47

From 1941 through 1946, the United Hunts Racing Assn., of which Lewis E. Waring is president, Robert C. Winnill is vice-president and Richard V. N. Gambrell is secretary-treasurer, has contributed \$42,250, toward the improvement of steeplechasing at the hunt race meetings. In 1947, the United Hunts has set aside \$20,000 to aid 7 sanctioned meetings running under the rules of the National Steeplechase and Hunt Assn.

In addition to the benefits to be derived from this \$20,000 directly channeled into purses for horses and horsemen to contend for, the United Hunts has contributed \$5,000 toward the operation of the Hunt Race Meetings Assn., the promoting body for steeplechasing in America.

Fifty-five new members were recently elected to the United Hunts 10 of whom are from Canada as additional members to this distinguished organization, whose motto is "For sport's sake and better sport". Membership is solely through nomination and election of United Hunts Members. Annual dues are \$25, plus \$5 Federal Tax.

The annual United Hunts Meeting will be run at Belmont Park, Monday, Oct. 13 and Tuesday, Oct. 14.

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Letter From New York

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would be a little unsafe to dismiss Harry Warner's Stepfather too lightly. True, he hasn't mowed everything under he has faced, but also true, it is likely he would be quite widely hailed at present except for that \$200,000 price tag. He was moving well indeed at the finish and, granted more time for training and acclimatization, may be quite tough at longer distances.

All the horses that came east from California have found it a little hard to get going here in the East, at least at Jamaica. There is a logical enough explanation for this, for Jamaica is a well cushioned track, though fast enough, while the California tracks have a surface so thin and so hard that the change to the horses must be a very profound one.

Aqueduct Management

There can be some chunks of praise for the management of Aqueduct for the steps they have taken and are continuing to take in fire prevention on the backstretch. Frank Keogh, the former rider of international note, who is the superintendent of the track, Ed Kilroe, of the racing family, who is the general manager, and Theodore Knapp, the president, welcomed with considerable ceremony the other day the delivery from Willys of a jeep fire engine. Replete with pump, hose and all the equipment of a full sized engine, the jeep is installed at the track.

The New York City fire department assigned an instruction crew of two to drill men in the handling of the equipment and also aided in installing an alarm equipment. The truck will be manned twenty four hours a day by men instructed in its use and all hands in the back stretch are instructed in the alarm system.

In addition to this, all walls and ceilings of tack rooms or other places where men sleep or congregate are being lined with fire resistant material and experiments, with the co-operation of insurance people, are being made with the installation of an automatic chemical sprinkler system.

Turf and Field Club Re-elects Officers In N. Y.

At the annual meeting of the Turf and Field Club held in New York, Thursday, April 17th, the following were reelected:

Henry W. Bull, Pres. J. Henry Alexandre, Vice Pres. Frederick Stevens Allen, Tres. W. Deering Howe, Hon. Sec. Miss W. Helen Eden was reappointed secretary.

Mr. J. Henry Alexandre was re-elected chairman of the executive committee, with the other members of his committee also being re-elected. Messrs. Frederick Stevens Allen, R. V. N. Gambrell, Theodore J. Knapp and W. Goadby Loew. The following board of governors was reelected: J. H. Alexandre, F. Stevens Allen, H. W. Bull, Joseph E. Davis, Frank J. M. Dillon, R. V. N. Gambrell, Raymond Guest, W. Deering Howe, Theodore J. Knapp, W. Goadby Lowe, Rigan McKinney, Whitney Stone, Harold E. Talbot, F. S. Von Stade, J. H. Whitney, Ogden Phipps, C. V. Whitney and George D. Widener.

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Friday, April 25, 1947

RACE MEETINGS

Middleburg Hunt Races

(Photos by Darling)



GREEN HORSES were jockeyed for position in the Louis Leith Cup, Timber Feature. Helen Rogers Photo.



1ST FENCE *PAUL REVERE, winner, and INURE bumped.

TINO WAVE and *PAUL REVERE went head and head at 6th.



MR. SMITHWICK was shut off on the inside, came around on the outside and almost beat *PAUL REVERE with LAD O'WAX.

LEFT: THE SAME Mr. Smithwick rode WHIZZLE to beat the "Bumper Race" field. Below: There was action in The Panther Skin when Mr. Willing Branley's TROUGH HILL #3, was the winner, after going deep at this one and trailing Allison Stern's TOURIST INDEX, #5.



Galax Stable Wins Tryon Hunt Meeting

Three Races On A. D. Plamondon Estate
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by Long Leaf Pine

Threatening weather and a steady drizzle on the previous day failed to interfere with Tryon's first post-war hunt race meeting held April 5, over the new course on the estate of A. D. Plamondon, Jr., Tryon, N. C. Considerable grading had been necessary in the construction of this rolling 3-4-mile circuit and although a good turf is rapidly establishing itself, the soaking rain made the going a little heavy in places. Despite this, horses ran and jumped exceptionally well and riders reported the course a delightful one to ride.

Feature of the card was the inaugural running of The Block House Steeplechase, about 2 miles over brush in which five horses went postward. Galax Stable's Bluish took command at the 1st fence as the field broke on the back side of the course and, although threatened several times, this 6-year-old chestnut mare by Impish—Monie Blue, under the well-rated ride of Mr. Austin Brown, was never collared. The first time around it was Bluish on top, followed closely by Mr. Calvin Houghland on his and George Shwab's good campaigner, Stonyrun, Mr. Lowry Watkins on his new purchase, Yendor, Leonard Baker on J. Arthur Reynolds' *Valdina Gwyn and Carlyle Cameron on Mickey Walsh's game little Reno Sam. This tight order was maintained for the greater part of the 2 1-2 times around.

Reno Sam, a 5-year-old son of *Friar Dolan, was broken only last year after being bought out west by Mickey Walsh and this was his 1st start over brush. He was well up in the field the first time and a half around but as Stonyrun, Yendor, and *Valdina Gwyn began driving on Bluish, he was unable to make a bid.

Mr. Watkins had purchased Yendor, a good looking bay gelding by Ephitet, only the previous week in Camden, and, as it was the horse's 1st start over brush and Mr. Watkins' 1st ride on him, he wisely accepted a good lead from Mr. Houghland on Stonyrun until he was sure that he and Yendor agreed. By this time, however, Stonyrun had begun a sustained drive on Bluish and Yendor, although running on with Stonyrun and coming on even terms several times, was unable to overtake the Houghland-Shwab entry.

As Stonyrun and Yendor began this move at the top of the hill the 2nd time around, *Valdina Gwyn, which had been well-rated and ridden by Leonard Baker, moved with them and was almost on even terms with Yendor running 3rd at the 11th and next to last fence. Here, however, *Valdina Gwyn unseated Leonard Baker and Yendor finished a good 3rd behind Stonyrun's final bid to overtake the winning Bluish. Reno Sam, under an impost of 165, finished a game 4th.

Mr. J. Byron Hilliard had entered his latest acquisition, The Arab, and had planned to ride in The Block

House but a low ceiling cancelled his flight from Cincinnati and he was unable to be on hand for the racing. Another last minute scratch was Mr. Shwab's Monighan, winner of the model steeplechaser class at the Camden show recently.

The 4th renewal of The March Hare, 2 1-2 over a flagged course for bona fide hunters, brought out a good field of 7. Mrs. George Watts Hill's Rion Hall ridden by Leonard Baker, broke fast on the inside, and followed 2 lengths by C. W. Brown's Dwight, the eventual winner, led the way over the first 4 fences. Here, however, Rion Hall lost the course, never to be a contender, and Dwight, running under a firm hold, took command of the field followed by Mrs. June C. Eaton on her Taffy, Mr. Austin Brown on Miss Margaret McLean's War Pilot, Mr. L. F. Caulfield on Galax Stable's Duty Calls and Mr. A. D. Plamondon, III, on Galax Stable's Moonshine. Jumping the 1st fence 2nd time around, the field was well coached and lustily cheered by Mr. Robert Leighton whose Kutno had deposited him there the 1st time around.

Passing the stands again Dwight was gamely challenged by Mrs. Eaton on her Taffy, but the little brown gelding pulled away up the hill and appeared to be an easy winner until Mr. Austin Brown on War Pilot made a tremendous stretch bid. Coming out of nowhere down the hill and over the chicken coop he drew to Dwight's girth but Mr. Carter W. Brown shook Dwight up and crossed the wire a winner by 2 lengths. Mrs. Eaton, the only lady riding in the races, more had entered but had scratched. Finished a good 3rd behind War Pilot, chased in by Duty Calls, which ran a good race, under Mr. Caulfield's 207 lbs. Moonshine and Rion Hall, which had regained the course and made up a lot of ground, almost catching Moonshine at the last fence. All but one of these horses had hunted Thurs-

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(Photos by George Wick, Jr.)



TWO VIEWS of the post-parade of "The March Hare", 2 1/2 miles, timber race. Mr. Leonard Baker on Mrs. George Watts Hill's RION HALL, #1; Mr. A. D. Plamondon III on Galax Stable's MOONSHINE, #2; Mrs. June E. Eaton on TAFFY, #3; Mr. Austin A. Brown on Miss Margaret McLean's WAR PILOT, #4; Mr. L. F. "Pete" Caulfield on Galax Stable's DUTY CALLS, #5; Mr. Robert V. Leighton on his KUTNO, #6; and Mr. Carter W. Brown on DWIGHT, #1.



DWIGHT led WAR PILOT over the slab chicken-coop last jump as Mrs. Eaton, only lady rider on TAFFY was running third in a field of seven starters.



IN "THE BLOCK HOUSE STEEPLECHASE", Mr. Austin A. Brown galloped it on Galax Stable's BLUISH. Over the first he led Mr. Calvin Houghland on his and George Shwab, Jr.'s STONYRUN and Mr. Lowry Watkins on his YENDOR, which finished 2nd and 3rd. The winner is pictured alone at the last fence, taking it in good form.

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June 18, Wednesday	PRINCESS DOREEN	3 Y.O. Fillies	6 Fur.	25,000
June 21, Saturday	DOMINO HANDICAP	3 and Up	6 Fur.	25,000
June 23, Monday	POLLYANNA STAKES	2 Y.O. Fillies	5½ Fur.	25,000
June 25, Wednesday	SKOKIE HANDICAP	3 Y.O.	7 Fur.	25,000
June 28, Saturday	EQUIPOISE MILE	3 and Up	1 Mi.	30,000
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July 7, Monday	CLEOPATRA HANDICAP	3 Y.O. Fillies	1 Mi.	25,000
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by Sulky

A few weeks ago reference was made in this column to a pair of new stake races at Roosevelt Raceway which will be inaugurated this year, the Roosevelt 2-mile trot and the Nassau 2-mile pace. Recently the Raceway made an announcement of the entries which have been made in these 2 races and the value of each. The former has 58 eligibles and will be worth at least \$37,500 while the pacing race has 53 entries and should hit about \$37,000 in value.

An added feature of the Roosevelt 2-mile trot is the international flavor which it has acquired. While the Thoroughbred men have been trying to drum up an international race or series of races, the trotting men have already received the entries of an Italian, a Belgian and 3 French trotters for the 2-mile trot. In addition, a Canadian owned trotter, Baron Richard, has also been named.

Perhaps the best of the foreign entries is the Italian-bred and Austrian-owned Mistro, 1947 winner of the Prix d'Amerique, Europe's richest trotting race. Mistro, whose breeding and race record was reviewed in this column after his victory in the 1,200,000 franc race some weeks ago, has been called the "best trotter on the European continent" by French turf papers. Along with his victory in the Prix d'Amerique, Mistro boasts another important victory, the winning of the Prix d'Hiver at Milan.

His foreign rivals for the \$37,500 race are a mixed lot. Quick Star, by Saint Guy, an exported American trotting stallion, and out of Hebrides was foaled in Belgium in 1934. This probably gives him the distinction of being the oldest entry in the race. He is owned by M. Vandevoghe and driven and trained by the Italian reinsman, Mattoni.

Pharaon is a French-bred and foaled trotter. A son of Ramses and out of Babiole, he was foaled in 1937 and defeated the best French trotter of 1946, Ovidius Naso, in a special match race that same year but finished last in the Prix de Paris at Enghien in February of this year. He is not a top class trotter by American standards. Pharaon is owned by Mme. Marsang of Paris.

Tais Toi, the second French entry, is another native product of France. By Enfant de Troupe or Karnac, both prominent stallions in France, he was 7th in the Prix de Bourgogne at Enghien in January of this year. He has shown no outstanding speed nor has he been an exceptional trotter in his native country.

The fastest French entry is Sammy, by Fidelius and out of Brigantine. He won the Prix de Belgique over 2300 meters (a little over a mile and a half) at Enghien in January, defeating, among others, Mistro who finished 7th. But Sammy was not a starter in the important Prix d'Amerique and was rumored to be out of training due to an injury. Sammy's chief claim to fame is his record of trotting a kilometer

in 1.16 9-10 in September of 1946. This established a record for the fastest kilometer in France but was far short of the best world records when compared to the miles turned in by American trotters. In fact, Sammy's record corresponds roughly to a mile in 2.03 3-4, a mark beaten by a number of U. S. trotters last year.

No European champion has even approached the world's record of Greyhound whose mile in 1.55 1-4 is equivalent to a kilometer in 1.11. The closest was the mark of Muscletone, the expatriated American horse, who hit a clip of 1.16 7-10 (roughly 2.03 1-2) in his prime over European tracks and still holds the European record.

The foreign trotters have a world of stamina, however, and are accustomed to racing over tracks which are cow pastures in comparison to the smooth, speed-producing tracks of America. It may be that these visitors will show the American horses a thing or two about trotting speed. But veteran followers of the trotting sport in this country figure it will take more than the travelers from across the sea have shown yet to beat such a top trotter as Titan Hanover, the world's champion 2-year-old and 3-year-old trotter whose records of 2.00 as a 2-year-old and 1.58 as a 3-year-old are equivalent to 1.14 6-10 and 1.13 2-10 in the kilometer category.

Notes On Polo

On Sunday, April 6, Aurora defeated Westbury at Aiken, S. C. The game was featured with fast play and a lot of long hitting. The final score was 6-2.

Rain cancelled the scheduled game for Sunday, March 29.

Westbury—2

1. Fred Timm
2. G. H. Bostwick
3. Alan Corey, Jr.
4. Henry Lewis

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Tryon Hunt Meeting

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day and Monday before.

Miss Pattie Page, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Cary L. Page, Wellford, S. C., forwarded the following on the "Pacolet Plate".

"The first race was a 1-4 mile flat, with catch weights for children 17 years and younger, riding any horse, mule or pony. There were 9 entries, all eager to ride for the 1st prize of a beautiful saddle and bridle, given by Jack McKnight.

"The entries included mounts of Thoroughbreds, work horses and a pony. Michael Walsh, Jr., gave fair warning as being a serious contender appearing in silks, a racing saddle and on his father's Thoroughbred mare, Miss Stonybrook. He led all the way, winning by 2 lengths. Miss Julie Sanders, on Lady, came in 2nd with Col. Lawrence's daughter, Audre, on Moonshine, 3rd., and R. C. Bradley, on Charlie, 4th. R. C. had no saddle and wore his number blanket around his neck.

"I'm sure that all in the race had a grand time. This is the sort of race Tryon would like to encourage among its younger folks."

Another reporter recounted: "It was remarked that The Block House course is the longest in the world as it covers 3 counties and 2 states in circling the old Block House site. The old house, now remodeled and slightly moved from its original site, makes a delightful winter home for the Plamondons. In its 200 years of existence it has afforded shelter to many Indian-harassed settlers, red coats, Confederate soldiers and Revolutionists. Not far from the present course are the vestiges of a Pre-Revolutionary racing strip that was once a part of the circuit over which the large plantation owners raced their horses up to the mountains in the spring and back to the low country in the fall.

The enthusiasm exhibited in all 3 of these races by both the riders and the spectators and the high spirit of competition made this a most successful day of sport.

SUMMARIES

4th Renewal The Pacolet Plate, abt. ¼ mile on flat. Riders 17 years and under, riding mules, ponies or horses. Catch weights. Trophy to rider of winner. Time: 18.1.

1. Miss Stonybrook, (Michael Walsh), 120, Michael Walsh, Jr.
2. Lady, (Julia Sanders), 106, Miss Julia Sanders.
3. Moonshine, (Galax Stables), 154, Miss Audrey Lawrence.

Ten started; also ran: Mrs. June C. Eaton's Taffy, 146; Miss Dorothy Blackwell; Elaine & Lyndie Eaton's Hepatica, 120; Miss Elaine Eaton; Delano Nanney's Algie, 139; Delano Nanney; Laura A. Nanney's Midnight, 113; Miss Laura Anne Nanney; Grayson Newman's Tony, 147; Miss Mary L. Nottingham. Won ridden out by 1; place driving by ½; show same by ½. No scratches.

4th Renewal The March Hare, abt. 2½ miles over timber for bona fide hunters season 1946-47. Catch weights. Riders acceptable to the committee. Trophy to owner and rider of winner. Winner: br. g. (7). Unknown. Time: 42.1 3-5.

1. Dwight, (C. W. Brown), 147, Mr. C. W. Brown.
2. War Pilot, (Miss Margaret McLean), 159, Mr. A. A. Brown.
3. Taffy, (Mrs. June C. Eaton), 136, Mrs. June C. Eaton.

Seven started; also ran (order of finish): Galax Stables' Duty Calls, 207; Mr. L. F. Caulfield; Galax Stables' Moonshine, 172; Mr. A. D. Plamondon III; Mrs. George W. Hill's Rion Hall, 142; Mr. Leonard Baker; fell at 1st; R. V. Leighton's Kutno, 205; Mr. R. V. Leighton. Won ridden out by 2; place driving by 2; show same by 2. No scratches.

Inaugural Running The Block House 'Chase, 3 & up, abt. 2 mi. over brush. Weight: 168 lbs. Purse, \$500; net value to winner, \$275; 2nd, \$100; 3rd, \$75; 4th, \$50; 5th, \$25. A trophy to be won 3 times by same owner before becoming his permanent possession. Trophy to owner and rider of winner each year. Winner: ch. m. (6). By Impish—Monie Blue, by "Monk's Way. Breeder: J. H. Adams. Trainer: A. A. Brown. Time: 3:59 4-5.

1. Blush, (Galax Stables), 163, Mr. A. A. Brown.
2. Stonyrun, (C. Houghland & G. Shwab), 168, Mr. Calvin Houghland.
3. Yendor, (Lowry Watkins), 168, Mr. Lowry Watkins.

Six started; also ran (order of finish): Michael Walsh's Rene Sam, 158; Carlyle Cameron; lost rider at 11th; J. A. Reynolds' "Valdina Gwyn, 168; Leonard Baker. Won easily by 8; place driving by 4; show same by 7. Scratched: Monighan, The Arab.



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Notes From Great Britain

Peterborough Standard; Its Early Development And Significance In Breeding English Foxhound

By J. Fairfax-Blakeborough

The Masters of Foxhounds Assn. has become concerned at the growing number of Agricultural Shows at which classes are being introduced for foxhounds. The M. F. H. A. has therefore asked its members to cooperate in limiting such shows to Peterborough, and one each in the north, south, west, and Wales. It is felt that the increase of competitive classes for foxhounds will have a tendency towards breeding for exhibition rather than work, and the governing body, whilst deprecating this, is in favour of local packs being paraded as an entity at agricultural shows. There have been a number of M. F. H.'s who have long held the view that breeding to what has come to be known as "The Peterborough standard", has been overdone in some Hunt kennels, and that it is an undeniable fact that many packs which would not be looked at (except as curiosities), at Peterborough, kill far more foxes every season than those which are of the type approved by Peterborough judges. If nose, cry, stamina, and ability to find, run, and kill foxes is the acid test of the foxhound, then there is something wrong with the points most favoured by show judges.

In view of the ban on the increase of foxhounds classes at agricultural and other shows, it is interesting to recall that it was at the Cleveland Agricultural Show at Redcar in 1856 that the first hound show was held. The idea emanated from Mr. Thomas Parrington, whom I knew well, and who was at that time sec'y of the Cleveland Agricultural Society, and later amateur huntsman of the Hurworth Hunt, and Master of the Sinnington. So great was the interest aroused by his venture that Peterborough Hounds Show was the ultimate outcome. There was quite a good turn up of hounds at Redcar, the Cleveland, Fitzwilliam, Durham County, Morpeth, Lord Middleton's, Bedale, Hambleton, Sinnington, Mr. Hill's, all sending two or more couples. The hound show caught on, and on the next occasion the Cleveland Society staged its show at Redcar "The Druid" was present, and in "Saddle and Sirloin" has left an amusing account of the whole proceedings, including the photographing of the famous huntsman who brought entries. We are told that Col. Anstruther Thomson, one of the greatest Masters Great Britain has ever had, was an exhibitor, and that he and his kennelman gave their three couples a scamper on the sands and a swim in the sea on the morning of the show. The Cheshire, the Brocklesby and the Earl of Weymas, were amongst the many who sent hounds, and when the photographer was ready Col. Anstruther Thomson as a sort of

committee of taste. Jack Parker of the Sinnington, had difficulty as to the disposal of his hands for posterity, while Ben Morgan placed his right hand on his shoulder. William Smith looked injured at the decisions, but still the picture of calm resignation. Turpin's air, on the contrary, was decidedly jubilant; he folded his arms like a Canning, and put his right foot forward. . . . There was a difficulty about Mr. Tom Parrington, but three chairs were brought, and Tom was seated on one of them next the table, radiant with silver prizes, and two huntsmen were grouped on each side of him.

Eventually the Hound Show was transferred from the Cleveland to the Yorkshire Show, and which continued to be held until 1877, the year Mr. Parrington retired from the secretaryship. It seemed possible the hound show would drop out altogether, but Peterborough stepped in, purchased all the equipment from the Yorkshire Agricultural Society, and so next year began what has developed into the most famous hound show in the world, and one of the outstanding events in each year's sporting calendar. As I have said, not all Masters approve, but the general view is that it has improved the make and shape of the foxhound.

Discussing the other day jockeys, owners and trainers travelling by air to race meetings (of which there will be much more this season) and the possibility of a jockey riding at two meetings in one afternoon, someone doubted the possibility of a jockey in olden times riding in Scotland one day and in Yorkshire the next. In those days men lived in the saddle, and we have records of jockeys riding in Scotland one day and travelling all night on horseback and then by coach, to ride at Northallerton on the following afternoon. In this connection perhaps I may be allowed to quote my own book "Sykes of Sledmere":

"Twice Sir Tatton Sykes journeyed from Sledmere to Aberdeen, with his racing jacket under his waistcoat, and a clean shirt and razor in his pocket, for the sake of a mount on the Marquis of Huntly's Kutusoff, and Sir David Moncrieff's Harlequin, when the Weleter Stakes was the greatest race in Scotland. Without stopping to dine he went back to sleep at Breaching that night and reached Doncaster after a 6 day's ride, just in time to see Blacklock beaten for the St. Leger. The victory in the white and black cap of Sir David in '22 squared up his Scottish luck. The 360 miles was done, principally in the forenoon, on a little blood mare, and with the exception of slight stiffness, she seemed none the worse".



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Thoroughbreds

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This was the once prevalent hat-pin system.

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By folding one's race card and piercing it with one of the said interesting instruments, and following the results thus obtained, many persons won fabulous amounts at the races—that is, they asserted that they did. When the results were disappointing, as is always the case there was always a reason. A perfectly valid one, as again is always the case.

We knew of a race-goer of that halcyon period that never went to the races without a feminine companion whose assortment of hat-pins was sufficient to last through the most strenuous afternoon. When his own wife was unable to attend, some other man's was just as efficient, provided her weapons were well-tested.

Alas—they are among the folks in history. Hat-pins like them—these are now museum pieces. And as a rule the modern race program is so thick and tough (nothing invidious is intended—the reference is solely to the printer's product) that nothing short of a battle-axe could cleave it. But—"other times, other manners": and new ways of picking 'em have been improvised that are, reportedly, far superior. But as for us, in this as in all things else, seeing is believing.

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Renfrew Hunter Trials

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it to W. W. Frazier IV, who had a nice performance on his Beach Daisy, and had placed 2nd. The course for this class was nearly twice as long as that for the younger groups, and in the uphill gallop and additional fences, it had the semblance of a true endurance test for horse and rider.

The Special Prize for "the rider who, in the opinion of the committee, has displayed a keen sense of horsemanship and made the best of the situation in the Hunting Field and at the Hunter Trials" was awarded to both Miss Elsie Wear and Henry Barratt. The committee and the Master felt one could not be placed above the other, since the two children were so exceptionally proficient in their horsemanship. Miss Deirdre Hanna was awarded 2nd place in this much-desired and hard-earned prize.

Our hats are off to: The judges, who made such a conscientious selection of winners; to the winners, who proved themselves worthy of their trophies and ribbons; to the losers, who showed sportsmanship and keen interest; to Mr. Rose, who annually writes down the entries on his little blackboard and shouts himself hoarse for the horses that are never there when they should be; to Mrs. Frazier, whose gracious hospitality is always a welcome; and to Mr. Frazier, who made his birthday such a happy celebration for everybody present; and to next year, when we'll all be there again.

SUMMARIES

Handy hunter. To be ridden by children 14 years of age and under. Jumps 3'-0" to 3'-6". 1. The Rabbit, Deirdre Hanna; 2. Spitfire, Elsie Wear; 3. Melody, Laura Miller; 4. Crumdale, Laura Miller.

Handy hunter. To be ridden by children between the ages of 15 years and 18 years inclusive. Jumps not over 3'-6". 1. Mike, Mullen, Mrs. Miles Valentine; 2. Broomy, Betsy Glendinning; 3. The Elk, Henry Barratt; 4. Night Alarm, Edith Slater.

Handy hunter. Open to those 19 years and over. 1. Lady of Shalott, Miss Julie Thayer—Renfrew Farm entry; 2. Strawberry Blonde, Mrs. W. W. Frazier IV—Renfrew Farm entry; 3. Beach Daisy, W. W. Frazier IV—Renfrew Farm entry; 4. The Puppet, Miss Julie Thayer—Renfrew Farm entry.

Children's hunter. To be ridden by children 14 years of age and under; over a natural country. Jumps 3'-0" to 3'-6". 1. Spitfire, Elsie Wear; 2. Melody, Laura Miller; 3. On Relief, Sally Deaver; 4. Victory, Ruth Van Selver.

Children's hunter. To be ridden by children between the ages of 15 years and 18 years inclusive; over a natural country. Jumps not over 3'-6". 1. Mike, Mullen, Mrs. Miles Valentine; 2. Broomy, Betsy Glendinning; 3. Ben Nevis, Annette Griffiths; 4. Blue Rocket, Henry Barratt.

Hunters. Over a natural country. Open to those 19 years and over. 1. Mike Mullen, Miles Valentine; 2. Beach Daisy, W. W. Frazier IV; 3. Manaloug, Jill Landreth; 4. Flagpole, John Slaughter.

Hunt teams. For children up to 18 years of age. To be shown over a natural country. Combined ownership permitted. No rider may compete on more than two teams. Jumps not over 3'-6". 1. Spitfire, Elsie Wear; 2. Deirdre Hanna; 3. Melody, Laura Miller; 4. The Rabbit, Deirdre Hanna; 5. Ben Nevis, Annette Griffiths; 6. Crumdale, Laura Miller; 7. Timber, Henry Barratt; 8. Night Alarm, Edith Slater; 9. Flagpole, Lois Helweg; 10. Broomy, Betsy Glendinning; 11. Miss Broom, Stella Reeves; 12. Gnome, Anne Harris.

Special Prize for Horsemanship to "the rider who, in the opinion of the committee, has displayed a keen sense of horsemanship and made the most of the situation in the Hunting Field and at the Hunter Trials."—Tied for 1st place: Elsie Wear and Henry Barratt; second place: Deirdre Hanna. Renfrew Farm Plate, presented by Miss

Flintridge Trials

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so much as coat and flesh.

There is little doubt but that 2 of the outstanding horses of the show were the reserve, Miss Zucco's Iba Lare, heavyweight Thoroughbred and ladies' winner and Miss Lois Fraser's Gold Lode. The latter was placed above Iba Lare in the model after discussion by the judges on the merit of depth and girth of one against front, neck and quality about the head of the other.

Mr. Wilson's Germon horse did well, perhaps deserved better. Peter Lert did the riding in view of Mr. Wilson's motor accident and badly fractured leg. Mr. and Mrs. Charles Wilson had a consistent working hunter in Royal Salud, in class after class he was well up.

The Barbara Worth Stables, with Mrs. Barbara Worth Zimmerman riding, had success in breaking out a new young conformation horse, Dale Raker, which bested Sonny Bravo of the Rio Bravo Ranch in a good novice affair.

Mrs. Zimmerman's bronco-like Little Chores, which name is an understatement when it comes to riding the little bay, won the jumper championship as Miss Janet O'Neil's Town Tavern was reserve. These 2 defeated the featured entries of Rudy Smithers, including the far-famed one-eyed pinto-gelding Rex Qui Salet. The nurseryman-owner Mr. Smithers rides his own horses and is a good showman.

Miss Norma Mathews took ribbons on F. J. R. and others. Her riding antics were roundly applauded. A rider of bucking Broncos, she clearly indicated she enjoyed rough and un-mannerly horses. Actually, the open horses seen in action were outstanding for their ill-display of manners and way of going. The crowd seemed to like it though, perhaps this is part of the atmosphere that makes horse shows in California.

The young entry taking part was a good indication of things to come in California. Misses Pamela Powell, Sandra Logue, Maureen Duer, Patricia Thomas, Margot Loose and Elaine Spratt were just some of the young ladies showing fine form in the ring and over outside courses. Little Miss Lois Spreckles, one of Col. Sydin's pupils, is also coming along fast; even rode a big heavy going Cleveland Bay in some events. Miss Loose went well with Mahlon E. Arnett's Possum and actually was most regrettably overlooked in the ribbon awards in the big working hunter class, when Royal Salud was the winner.

A magnificent contribution to the West Coast hunter people, Mr. Spalding has inaugurated an outstanding trials, complete with open jumping, conformation events and junior competition. It is to be hoped that this fixture will be a permanent one

Bettina Frazier. Awarded to the Horse in the opinion of the Judges is the best type of Child's Working Hunter. The horse must have completed the Handy Hunter Course and the Course over a Natural Country—1. Spitfire, owned and ridden by Elsie Wear; 2. The Rabbit, owned and ridden by Deirdre Hanna.

and that other events throughout United States may simulate the 3-phase hunter trials test.

SUMMARIES

Jumpers, novice—1. Corkscrew, Pamela Powell; 2. Omar, Judy Powell; 3. Trinket Arrow, Seco Stables; 4. Red Wing, Bill Chandler; 5. Diamond, Dupre Stable.

Hunters, novice—1. Film Actor, Maria B. Springer; 2. Baby Blue, 3. Talisman, Rosalind T. Johnson; 4. Nichevo, Keith Spalding; 5. Cricketoo, Janet Young.

Hunter Trials, 1st Phase, Show ring jumping, performance only.—1. Bambino, Egon Merz; 2. Nassovia's Last, Keith Spalding; 3. Gold Leaf, Margaret Stanton; 4. Royal Salud, Mr. and Mrs. Charles Wilson; 5. Possum, Mahlon E. Arnett.

Hunter Trials, 2nd Phase, cross country, way of going, manners, jumping, condition.—1. Bay Fern, Egan Stables; 2. Victory, Mary Rogers; 3. Pacemaker, Pat Malcolm; 4. *Culpepper, Alex Wilson; 5. Gold Lode, Lois Fraser.

Hunter Trials, 3rd Phase, training seat, walk, trot, canter in special ring 160'-0" x 9'-0"—1. Bambino, Egon Merz; 2. Royal Salud, Mr. and Mrs. Charles Wilson; 3. Victory, Mary Rogers; 4. *Culpepper, Alex Wilson; 5. Possum, Mahlon E. Arnett.

Hunter Trials, final point standing out of possible 1,000.—1. Bambino, 948½; Egon Merz; 2. *Culpepper, 947; Alex Wilson; 3. Royal Salud, 938; Mr. and Mrs. Charles Wilson; 4. Gold Lode, 927; Lois Fraser; 5. Royal Star, 926½; Keith Spalding; 6. Victory, 924½; Mary Rogers.

Children jumpers—1. Toy Storm, Sandra Logue; 2. Brush Off, Ann Saville; 3. Mars Eclipse, Harold E. Gehegan; 4. Possum, Mahlon E. Arnett; 5. Diamond, Dupre Stable.

Novice jumpers—1. Hamarack, Cornelius Butler; 2. Toy Storm, Sandra Logue; 3. Red Wing, Bill Chandler; 4. Toy Mountain, Jane Lovett; 5. Oregon Duke, Howard S. Gass.

Green Hunters—1. Sonny Bravo, Rio Bravo Ranch; 2. Dale Raker, Barbara Worth Stables; 3. Dear John, Marilyn May; 4. Gold Leaf, Margaret Stanton; 5. Talisman, Rosalind T. Johnson.

Open jumpers—1. Little Chores, Mrs. Barbara Zimmerman; 2. Rickshaw, Pat Malcolm; 3. Way Over, Joseph P. Toole; 4. The Joker, Pat Malcolm; 5. Bambino, Egon Merz.

Novice Hunters—1. Grey Skies, Mrs. J. J. Kessler; 2. Delphic, Mr. and Mrs. Charles Wilson; 3. Dear John, Marilyn May; 4. Lightning, Keith Spalding; 5. Bay Fern, Egan Stables.

Handy jumpers—1. Little Chores, Mrs. Barbara Zimmerman; 2. Red Wing, Bill Chandler; 3. Rickshaw, Pat Malcolm; 4. Fleegan, Bill Chandler; 5. Bambino, Egon Merz.

Hunter Hacks—1. Tickette, Rio Bravo Ranch; 2. Bucksaluz, Judy Goetz; 3. Royal Salud, Mr. and Mrs. Charles Wilson; 4. Dear John, Marilyn May; 5. Iba Lare, Frances Zucco.

Amateur Hunters—1. Gold Lode, Lois Fraser; 2. Victory, Mary Rogers; 3. Lightning, Keith Spalding; 4. Jackette, Frances Zucco; 5. Bonameo, Ellen Crabtree.

Lightweight Hunters—1. Gold Lode, Lois Fraser; 2. Victory, Mary Rogers; 3. Bucksaluz, Judy Goetz; 4. Sonny Bravo, Rio Bravo

Ranch; 5. Dale Raker, Barbara Worth Stables. Middleweight Hunters—1. Bonameo, Ellen Crabtree; 2. Grey Skies, Mrs. J. J. Kessler; 3. Royal Salud, Mr. and Mrs. Charles Wilson; 4. Lightning, Keith Spalding; 5. *Culpepper, Alex Wilson.

Heavyweight Hunters—1. Iba Lare, Frances Zucco; 2. Nassovia's Last, Keith Spalding; 3. Delphic, Mr. and Mrs. Charles Wilson; 4. Rex Sierra, Keith Spalding; 5. Way Over, Joseph P. Toole.

Thoroughbred Hunters—1. Iba Lare, Frances Zucco; 2. Gold Lode, Lois Fraser; 3. Bucksaluz, Judy Goetz; 4. Tickette, Rio Bravo Ranch; 5. Dale Raker, Barbara Worth Stables.

Amateur Jumpers—1. Hop-A-Long, Rudy Smithers; 2. Toy Mountain, Jane Lovett; 3. F. J. R., Norma Mathews; 4. Rex Qui Salet, Rudy Smithers; 5. Town Tavern, Janet O'Neil.

Model Hunters—1. Gold Lode, Lois Fraser; 2. Iba Lare, Frances Zucco; 3. Over Car, Ralph V. Walker; 4. Bonameo, Ellen Crabtree; 5. Cricketoo, Janet Young.

Touch and Go Jumpers—1. Rickshaw, Pat Malcolm; 2. Town Tavern, Janet O'Neil; 3. Little Chores, Mrs. Barbara Zimmerman; 4. Rex Qui Salet, Rudy Smithers; 5. Mars Eclipse, Harold E. Gehegan.

Open Jumpers—1. Little Chores, Mrs. Barbara Zimmerman; 2. F. J. R., Norma Mathews; 3. Hop-A-Long, Rudy Smithers; 4. Rickshaw, Pat Malcolm; 5. Toy Storm, Sandra Logue. Ladies Hunters—1. Iba Lare, Frances Zucco; 2. Grey Skies, Mrs. J. J. Kessler; 3. Bonameo, Ellen Crabtree; 4. Nichevo, Keith Spalding; 5. Gold Leaf, Margaret Stanton.

Jumpers Sweepstakes—1. Little Chores, Mrs. Barbara Zimmerman; 2. Town Tavern, Janet O'Neil; 3. Rex Qui Salet, Rudy Smithers; 4. The Joker, Pat Malcolm; 5. Red Wing, Bill Chandler.

Novice Hunters—1. Dale Raker, Barbara Worth Stables; 2. Sonny Bravo, Rio Bravo Ranch; 3. Gold Leaf, Margaret Stanton; 4. Cricketoo, Janet Young; 5. Dear John, Marilyn May.

Hunter Sweepstakes—1. Bonameo, Ellen Crabtree; 2. Grey Skies, Mrs. J. J. Kessler; 3. Victory, Mary Rogers; 4. Iba Lare, Frances Zucco; 5. Delphic, Mr. and Mrs. Charles Wilson.

Handy Hunters—1. *Culpepper, Alex Wilson; 2. Bay Burn, Egan Stables; 3. Sandy George, Dr. Myron Thom; 4. Royal Star, Keith Spalding; 5. Delphic, Mr. and Mrs. Charles Wilson.

Working Hunters—1. Royal Salud, Mr. and Mrs. Charles Wilson; 2. Black Trooper, Audrey Scott; 3. Bambino, Egon Merz; 4. Talisman, Rosalind T. Johnson; 5. Jackette, Frances Zucco.

Hunt Teams—1. *Culpepper, Alex Wilson; 2. Victory, Mary Rogers; 3. Bucksaluz, Judy Goetz; 4. Sonny Bravo, Rio Bravo Ranch; 5. Dale Raker, Barbara Worth Stables; 6. Scarerra, Marilyn May; 7. Nassovia's Last, Rex Sierra, Nichevo, Keith Spalding; 8. Black Trooper, Audrey Scott; 9. Woodstock, Rosalind T. Johnson and Charles Lane, Possum, Mahlon E. Arnett.

Champion Hunter: Bonameo, Ellen Crabtree. Reserve: Iba Lare, Frances Zucco. Champion Jumper: Little Chores, Barbara Worth Stables. Reserve: Town Tavern, Janet O'Neil.

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Magee's License

Perhaps the smoothest stylist of today, Jockey John Magee, steeplechase rider, was in the peculiar position of not having a license to ride at Camden. He came up very meekly to Trainer James E. Ryan in the Camden paddock to get an endorsement to his application.

High Livin'

Martin Resovsky of The Chronicle editorial force recently saw the high cost of living effectively demonstrated. A little colored boy came into Reed's store in Upperville, Va., with a nickel. He wanted to buy a pack of gum, which was six cents. Then he asked for a bar of candy or a pack of cup cakes. These items were six cents. He turned with a forlorn look and was departing the premises, when the proprietor called, "Boy you left your nickel on the counter, don't you want it?" The lad called back, "No thank you boss, you keep it, it ain't doing me no good."

Breeding Racing Commissioner

Governor Kim Sigler, of Michigan, appointed Lewis L. Bredin, of Detroit and Metamora, Mich., to the post of State Racing Commissioner to succeed William Dowling. Mr. Dowling is expected to remain with the board in an advisory capacity. In making the appointment the Governor has the support of all those interested in bettering Michigan racing. Mr. Bredin is well known in hunting circles and as a horse show judge. A good golfer and several times a state champion, he also has ridden amateur steeplechases and is a leading business man in Detroit. He breeds a few Thoroughbreds and served during the War as an intelligence staff officer in the C. B. I., separating the Service as a Colonel. —E. E. D.

The Timothy Eatons

Mr. and Mrs. Timothy Eaton were motoring north from a winter in Florida and Nassau. Of the Toronto and North York (Canada) country, both are keen members of the fox-hunting world. They stopped a night in Middleburg, Va., cast a sharp eye over The Chronicle office and enjoyed a portrait hanging there for the day by Ned Chase, artist, of Mrs. Munamo and her grey hunter. The Eatons went on to Ligonier, Pa., to stay with the Murray Flemings now living there.

An A-Plus Vacation

Miss Audrey Hitchcock, who would far prefer riding good hunters in show rings, hunter trial courses or foxhunting, was the only student at Dana Hall, Wellesley, Mass. who had an average of A plus. Miss Hitchcock received a token trip to Southern Pines where she had some good days with Moore County Hounds (N. C.), to say nothing of participation in the hunter trials.

Grand National Prospect

The 1948 Grand National, the great Aintree jumping classic, will have keen interest from American steeplechasing owners and fans. *Caddie, color-bearer for Paul Mellon's Rokeby Stables will be headed for this outstanding event and while not an American-bred, he will be running for an American owner. Montpelier's famed blue and pink colors were carried to victory in the Brook Steeplechase Handicap and appropriately enough in the Battle-ship Steeplechase by *Caddie. These were among his wins while a 3, 4 and 5-year-old. Sold to Rokeby Stables, *Caddie lists among his winner circle visits the International Steeplechase Handicap, Temple Gwathmey and William Skinner Memorial.

Show Ring To Timber

Richmond spectators were cheering furiously for Stewart Felvey and his 10-year-old Dominica in the Deep Run Hunt Cup on Saturday, April 5. The occasion was the Deep Run Hunt Race Assn.'s first meeting since 1941 at Richmond, Va. This gallant chestnut gelding has more than once proved his versatility for his 16-year-old owner and has been a consistent performer in the show ring and in hunter trials. The Saturday prior to the races he won the members' class at the Deep Run Hunt Senior Hunter Trials. In 1945 he was champion of these trials and reserve champion last year. Some of his winning classes have been a working hunter hack class at Warrenton Horse Show; Junior hunters at Farmington Horse Show in which there were 40 entries and reserve hunter champion at Ashland's show last fall.

Pine Brook Again

Activities at Pine Brook Farm near Warrenton, Va. have been on the decline what with the death of the 2 stallions, Mokatom and *Blue Pete, Dr. Frank A. O'Keefe serving 35 months in the Veterinary Corp. Army of the United States and Mrs. Robert Kobzina living in the Midwest while her husband was in the service. The breeding farm of numerous winners in show rings and tracks will be on the upgrade with Dr. O'Keefe resuming his veterinary practice at Pine Brook. One of the first mares bred at Pine Brook by Dr. O'Keefe produced Prompt Payment, the 1946 reserve hunter champion at the National Horse Show in New York and champion hunter at the National Capital Horse Show at Ft. Myer, Va.

Dr. Eggert In Virginia

Dr. William "Bill" Eggert, resident veterinarian for the past year at Walter Salmon's Mereworth Farm in Lexington, Ky., has recently purchased a farm near Culpeper, Va. and expects to commence practice about April 1. He had extensive experience with broodmares, having foaled some 110 at Mereworth last year. He served his hitch in the war being mustered out as a Major.

New Stables

Albert Frohock is making plans for the 1947-48 Florida season when owners of hunters and jumpers will be given an initiative to ship their horses to the south. He is building a new stable at Greynolds Park and will have stabling available for prospective entries for the Sunshine Show Circuit.

Great Aunt Amelia

by AIDAN ROARK

Great Aunt Amelia is always good for a bit of a yarn and I think the one she told me last August is worth repeating. I remember the evening well. It was one of those lovely Summer evenings so dear to the hearts of the Irish; cold, windy, and with a touch of dampness in the air. We had just come in from a stroll around the farm, which included cutting thistles and driving the cattle that had not been drowned on to high ground. Of course the low places were wet, but there wasn't more than two inches of dampness on the high spots.

The house was comparatively dry, and I was comparatively warm, what with putting a few saucepans around to catch the drips and blowing on the piece of turf in the grate which smouldered violently, but gave out no heat. When I complained of the living-room calisthenics G. A. A. said the exercise would limber me up. And when I complained of the smoke which stubbornly refused to go up the chimney, she told me I was hard hearted. "Haden't the Jackdaws their nests in the chimney, and who was I to deny the poor creatures a bit of heat." Who indeed! I was only wet, out of breath and blinded with the smoke, but I kept my thoughts to myself. Anyway we had a nice hot toddy and G. A. A. got to reminiscing.

It appears that G. A. A. had entered a mare in the 3 mile race at the Carlow point-to-point. The mare could run all day and if the rider did the right thing at the right time, sure she could leap over a church, let alone a bit of a bank. On the day of the race she told the rider Captain Telford he could win easy if he followed her instructions to the letter. "When you want the mare to jump," says she, "just give her a touch of the whip and she'll fly over it like a bird."

Going down to the start the Captain put the mare at a fence, but she hit it with her knees and turned over, cracking one of the Captain's ribs. But up he gets and goes on to the start. They got away well, but she hit the very first fence with her knees and down she goes again. Away goes the mare and the Captain came limping back to the car.

He was in terrible temper on account of he now had two cracked ribs as well as a broken thumb. "What do you mean," says he to G. A. A., "telling me the mare was a great jumper." "She is," says she, "if anyone but a fool was on her. Did you touch her with the whip like I told you to?"

"I did not," says the Captain, "but tell me now, what difference would it have made?" "Difference?" snorted G. A. A. "What difference, indeed, but the winning of the race? Isn't the poor mare blind as a bat, and she depending on a touch of the whip to know when to jump?"

Chronicle Quiz Answers

1. Newmarket boots
2. Four miles 856 yards, held at the Aintree course near Liverpool, England.
3. When hounds hunt a line in the direction opposite to that which the fox has taken.
4. The Thoroughbred and the Cleveland Bay.
5. To the bars of the mouth, the space where the bit rests between the molar and incisor teeth.
6. That the horseshoer has driven a nail into the quick so that the horse goes lame.

Mr. Ely's Hounds

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course, but on account of darkness hounds were stopped before entering Carls Hill.

This run was continuous for two hours and forty-nine minutes.

Wednesday, March 19

Hounds moved from the Kennels on Mr. Ely's Zionsville Farm at 10:00 A. M. and were taken to the nearest covert which is directly in front of the Kennels, and most of which Mr. Ely owns.

It proved to be a good hunch for we were not over 15 minutes in the area until all fifteen couples were singing (what music!) and although we did not know it at this point we were embarked on one of the super hunts of the season, as our pilot going north in the direction of the kennels entered a freshly timbered patch of woods with a lot of branches piled high. He moved from one to another with precision, never stopping, swinging left and going back over the hill which he previously came down (to enter the timber patch) crossing the Dillingerville dirt road, on into Koch Woods and out to the Dillingerville-Zionsville road. Turning left again, and running east on the southern slope of the hill, he crossed again the Dillingerville dirt road into the Ely woods, and turning left for the third time went down into the swamp back of Mr. Ely's barn. Turning right at this point he ran north of the east bank of the stream to an open field at the end of the woods. Here he jumped the stream and ran south on the west bank until he came to a stone row which looked good to him. Here our fox was viewed for the first time as he crossed Dillingbach's lane. Going back into the timbered patch, he circled to the right, crossed Pummers meadows and on over the hill past Dillingerville, turning left again back to the Ely woods. Down he went through the Master's open wheat fields, back into the swamp and up along the creek for the second time.

Turning right at a hedgerow, he was viewed for the second time as he rested by a large oak tree.

As hounds came closer he just popped over the hedgerow and went back the other side into large open fields, through John Shelly's Poultry Farm, crossed the Limepost black-top-road, into a very large field where fox, hounds and Field were within 1000 yards of each other. Swinging slightly to the left, across the Perkimen railroad tunnel, into a very small patch of woods he came out again before any of the hounds got in. As he did, the fifteen couples eyed him and the sight race was on, lasting only about three minutes when they rolled this large grey over in the field back of Geho's Feed Mill. This run lasted three hours and twelve minutes.

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The Swan Song of Coaching

Twelve Trotters Take 2 Hours and 4 Minutes Off of Coaching Record Made By 64 Horses Between New York and Atlantic City

by Thomas F. Walsh

If it were to be the last great coaching trip, it was for us one of triumph, for it established a record bettering all previous ones either here or in England, where coaching started in the 16th century, with its romance, thrills, and hardships. There the record of Jim Selby stood supreme. Starting from the White Horse Cellar in Piccadilly, he drove to the Old Ship Inn in Brighton and returned, about 108 miles. Selby used dozens of picked horses, and many of the stages were done at full gallop. At times on the level stretches he equalled twenty miles an hour. It appeared to be an unbeatable record of equine courage, speed, and endurance.

From childhood, coaching fascinated me. Records are made to be bettered, and as I motored and walked over the old Brighton Coach Road, now hard surfaced and filled with crams and vehicles, and saw the vestiges of the old inns where the changes were made, I marvelled at what the man and horses had accomplished. Then the thought came and grew that our American trotters could break this record.

To me there is no breed of horses with the unlimited endurance and docility of the trotter. So the thought grew into action, and I began to look for and collect big trotters with fast records, and as promptly stepped into a multitude of difficulties. Usually wearing only the lightest of harness, and pulling fragile sulkies, the change to heavy harness and bits, to pull a 2,400 pound coach, at times seemed hopeless. To teach them to pull into heavy coaching collars, to face large Buxton and Liverpool hits, to overcome the galls and harness sores, to fit and adjust collars to prevent skin friction, was maddening. Collar sores are easily acquired and so slow to heal.

Few of the trotters had ever been out of single harness. To match them into pairs for height and conformation, to teach them to drive double and pull evenly together, and this finally accomplished, to find pairs that would drive safely on the lead with the rattle of chains and clash of bars behind them, to face their bits and keep the traces taut, took time and patience. We used geldings entirely, as I felt mares to be too temperamental. So the idea to bring the coaching record to America took form. Yet without the help of Mrs. Florence Evans Dibble, (now Mrs. George Bushee), her full-hearted encouragement and financial aid, it would not have been accomplished. Herself a good "coachman" and all-around horsewoman, the owner of many noted horses including "Flowing Gold", perhaps the greatest American saddle horse, three times champion at Madison Square Garden and twice of Canada, of "Hollywood Boris", then the champion trotter under saddle, of "Calumet Dubuque" and mate who hold the half-mile track trotting record for pairs and the three-abreast record, perhaps the most difficult of all hitches—a record that stood for 45 years when the great trotting wizard Ed Geers accomplished the seemingly impossible feat—to these she added the mile record for a Coach and Tandem over a mile track, and the Random record of three horses hitched one behind the other. The difficulties facing us in the coaching effort appealed to her, and as always, her courage and belief were rewarded by success.

But from the Coaching Club came nothing but negation; two few horses, they grumbled; the roads were impossible; coach horses and not trotters were the type to use. I wrote and pleaded with the Coaching Club that this might be the last coaching trip, but to no avail. So when we started, there were only two noted coaching men to help: Ernest Fownes, of international coaching fame, and that splendid sportsman, Hamilton Salmon; both over 75 years of age, but filled with the spirit of youth and belief in the possibility of success.

Searching for the best American coaching effort, I found that Paul

Sorg had made a drive from New York to Atlantic City, using sixty-four horses, many of which were stabled along the road for changes. He had made the distance of 118 miles in 12 hours and 8 minutes, an extraordinary feat. Maurice Howlett, a famous coaching figure in France and England, had managed the venture for him, and I tried to enlist Howlett's aid in our effort. Howlett, like the Coaching Club, would have none of it. To my pleading he responded, "too few horses, too bad roads—utterly impossible!"

Small wonder that the last of the vanishing coaching world laughed at our efforts when they understood I was using only 12 horses, although I carried an extra four for emergencies, which fortunately I did not have to use. What they overlooked was the fact I was using hand dynamos in the big trotting horses that were trained as one train a Marathon runner.

To insure the authenticity of the record, if made, I was most fortunate in securing Mr. Gustavus Towne Kirby, Chairman of the Olympic Committee and an international expert on accurate timing, and that equine authority Col. Peter Vischer, publisher and sportsman, to keep the records from start to finish. The trip was under veterinary supervision both before and after starting.

The coaching venture created tremendous interest; large sums were offered Mrs. Dibble to carry signs advertising cereal products and coffees. But she refused. "This is purely an amateur sporting effort", she said, and to add dignity to the enterprise, following the ancient French and English custom of blessing the hounds at the opening of the hunting season, she asked the Reverend Harold Weigle, pastor of the oldest Episcopal Church in America, at Eastchester, New York, to bless the coach and horses at the early start from in front of the Waldorf-Astoria. Herman Hass and the famous "Dmitri" photographed many stages of this record-breaking journey which, with 12 horses, took two hours and four minutes off the time Paul Sorg and 64 horses had accomplished over the good roads and reasonable traffic hazards of that time.

Under the heading "Trotters in the Traces", Col. Vischer wrote an account of the trip in "Horse and Horseman", and following are some excerpts from his simply told story:

"The Valiant drew up to the Waldorf-Astoria Hotel on Park Avenue between 48th and 49th Streets shortly before 7 o'clock on the morning of May 11. Thomas Fay Walsh was on the box, very smart in a coaching coat and a gray top. Eddie Dugan, the guard, handsome in scarlet and faun, was fingering his horn and wetting his lips. Mrs. Dibble was inside the hotel having breakfast with her guests. The crack four were in the traces, the gray following behind as the cock horse.

At the stroke of 7, Gustavus T. Kirby, internationally known for his efforts on behalf of accurate timing in track athletics, pushed in the heads of three or four of his six

watches and called with the traditional voice of the stentor, "On your marks, everyone—Go!" But, in the manner of little things, a curb-chain had come loose on one of the leaders and the start had to be delayed. (It was the only unplanned delay of the trip.)

The horn sounded, the wheels moved. They trotted through 51st Street to Fifth Avenue, trotted down that famous boulevard oblivious to red lights designed for lesser vehicles. They astounded taxi drivers, inspired an old gray attached to a milk wagon to come along. At 22nd Street, wet and slippery from the morning wash, Mr. Kirby shouted "Time!"—until someone whose birthplace was probably Quincy or Kenasha reminded the Beau Brummel of the Metropolis that the Holland House had been two blocks further away.

Then "Time!" it really was—at 7:13 in the morning. The Valiant went on down to 8th Street, crossed to Lafayette (where Eddie Hurd drew a white carnation from under his overcoat and presented it to his neighbor, the author of these lines) and proceeded on down to South Ferry. Before long the Valiant was on the water, on her way across the harbor.

There were eleven on board for the first stage: Mrs. Dibble and Tom Walsh on the box; Mr. Kirby, Hamilton H. Salmon, Mrs. W. R. Evans, Ernest K. Fownes, Richard McAllister, the Rev. W. Harold Weigle, who had blessed the coach in a graceful ceremony just before the start. B. E. Tousley, the aforementioned Hurd and Vischer, and the guard. There were almost as many every stage of the journey: Dr. William H. Ivens came aboard, and Dr. McCafferty, Miss E. Gwen Martin, Miss Ida Louise Tobey, Mrs. Frederick van Lennep, a half a dozen newspaper writers.

With Mr. Fownes driving (and nearly freezing to death in an early morning mist not designed for his 80 years) the Valiant rolled into Mt. Loretto for the first change, having done 17.2 miles at something under 10 miles per hour. The horses were waiting, having been brought on ahead by truck. Mr. Salmon then took the reins, a rickety automobile drew alongside to throw a bunch of flowers, and the coach moved on to Tottenville, across the ferry to Perth Amboy, where a bright young man thumbed the Valiant for a ride, and on to Marlboro for the second change, making 19.1 miles for the second set at an average pace of 11.3 miles an hour.

Marlboro to Lakewood made another stage, 17.5 miles at 11.8 miles per hour. Lakewood to Beechwood, 11.9 miles at 12.99 miles per hour with the second set in the traces for the second time, concluding the first day's run. The distance covered was 65.7 miles, more than half the distance to Atlantic City. The party returned to Lakewood for the night in vulgar motors, some of them drove over to look at the drigible Hindenburg. Mr. Kirby went into a protracted session with his watches and an incredible number of figures, and the members of the press retired quietly to the bar.

Mr. Walsh spent the evening audibly dreaming of doing the last stage at 14 miles per hour, an unheard of pace dismissed without further ado by the only two coaching men willing to join the party. So, during the course of the next day, Mr. Salmon, aged 75, proceeded to take the coach into Abescon at the rate of 14.4 miles an hour, pulling through a tangle of cars and a huge crowd of people gathered in front of the Servier Country Club to a brilliant stop. And Mrs. Dibble finished the journey into Atlantic City at the rate of 16.2.

The Valiant made the journey from the Holland Building at 30th Street and 5th Avenue, where the Sorg party started, to the boundary of Atlantic City, 113.5 miles, in 9 hours, 44 minutes, 53 seconds, running time. The journey to Chalfonte-Haddon Hall, closer to the spot where the Sorg coach ended its trip, consisted of 118 miles and was completed in 10 hours, 4 minutes, 23 seconds.

Inasmuch as I am not a coaching man, never having sat on one before, I was spared the acute embarrassment of having told Mrs. Dibble and Mr. Walsh that the thing couldn't be done and didn't make sense anyway. (There were two fellows named Wright once, Orville and Wilbur, and people used to tell them something like that.) Having tried it, I can say now that coaching is about as much fun as it is possible to have.

The peace of the countryside, the cheers of the children dismissed from their classes to see the old coach go by, the delight of dilirious old men waving their canes and throwing their hats into the air, the pleasant conversation with unhurried people, the opportunity for uninterrupted contemplation, the tempo of the horses' hooves, the rattle of the bars, the notes of the horn, the remarkable tranquility under stress of the Walsh countenance—these I shall not soon forget.

So ended the travels of the old road coach "Valiant", which once rattled dustily along the Paris-Fountainbleu, London-Brighton and New York-Portchester roads. Now it rests peacefully at Mrs. Bushee's Oldtown Hill Farm in Newbury, Massachusetts. The sporty red-black-and-cream colors are as bright as ever—ready to face their next challenge.



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Juniors Afield and In the Show Rings



DRAWN BY LOT, Miss Eve Pell, (at left), was M.F.H. for a day with Meadow Brook Hounds on March 28. Next to M.F.H. Pell is M.F.H. Robert Winthrop; fourth from left is Mrs. Marjorie B. Hewlett, honorary secretary.



LITTLE MISS PEGGY KERR and veteran horseman Grainger Gaither made their entry a winning one in Camden Horse Show's lead-line class. Freudy.



MISS KATHLEEN MCKINNEY showed in good form to win at the Aiken Horse Show. She topped the horsemanship class over fences. Freudy Photo.



MASTER RAYMOND G. WOOLFE, JR., garnered another blue ribbon for his collection at the Camden Horse Show. He won the horsemanship class. Freudy.Photo.



WITH NO PONIES for competition, Miss Ann Fullinwider shows her 13.2 MISS TINY against horses in California. Frequently she has been in jump-offs at 4'-0" to 4'-3". She accounted for 11 blues in 1946, 27 ribbons.

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